IN DISCIPLINARY DISTRICT II

OF THE

**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY** 

OF THE

SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE

IN RE:

TERRY MATTHEW BASISTA, #001978

FILE NO. 63922-2-MB

Respondent, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee

(Campbell County)

PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaint was filed against Terry Matthew Basista, #001978, an attorney

licensed to practice law in Tennessee, alleging certain acts of misconduct. Pursuant to Tenn. Sup.

Ct. R. 9, the Board of Professional Responsibility considered these matters at its meeting on

September 8, 2023.

Mr. Basista won an award of child support for his client by agreement of the parties during

a hearing in Claiborne County Chancery Court on July 21, 2015. Mr. Basista failed to file an order

for over two (2) years and failed to stay abreast of the case, resulting in an order of closure being

filed on August 18, 2017.

By these acts, Mr. Basista has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence), 1.4

(communication), and 3.2 (expediting litigation), and is hereby Publicly Censured for these

violations.

FOR THE BOARD OF

PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Jernifer Hagerman, Chair

October 10, 2023

Date