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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: GEORGE COOPER BELL, BPR #023223
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February 14, 2020

TENNESSEE LAWYER CENSURED

Effective February 14, 2020, George Cooper Bell, of Huntersville, North Carolina was censured by Order of Reciprocal Discipline entered by the Supreme Court of Tennessee on February 14, 2020. Mr. Bell received a public reprimand issued by the Grievance Committee of the North Carolina State Bar on August 7, 2019 for making a false statement to the Court.

On October 28, 2019, the Tennessee Supreme Court entered a Notice of Reciprocal Discipline directing Mr. Bell to inform the Court, within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Notice, why the discipline imposed by the Grievance Committee of the North Carolina State Bar should not be imposed by the Tennessee Supreme Court. Mr. Bell provided no response to the Court.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

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IN RE: GEORGE COOPER BELL, BPR #023223

An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Huntersville, North Carolina)

No. M2019-01920-SC-BAR-BP

BOPR No. 2019-3045-0-BL-25

ORDER OF RECIPROCAL DISCIPLINE

This matter is before the Court pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 25, upon a Notice of Submission filed by the Board of Professional Responsibility (“Board”) consisting of a certified copy of a public reprimand issued by the Grievance Committee of the North Carolina State Bar on August 7, 2019, reprimanding George Cooper Bell.

On October 28, 2019, this Court entered a Notice of Reciprocal Discipline requiring Mr. Bell to inform this Court within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Notice why reciprocal discipline should not be imposed in Tennessee pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 25.4 or, in the absence of a response demonstrating the grounds set forth in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 25.4, the Supreme Court of Tennessee will impose a similar discipline with identical terms and conditions based upon the public reprimand issued by the Grievance Committee of the North Carolina State Bar. This Court has received no response from Mr. Bell.

After careful consideration of the record in this matter, the Court finds, based upon the particular facts of this case, that none of the elements in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 25.4 exist. As a result, it is appropriate to enter an Order of Reciprocal Discipline.

IT IS, THEREFORE, CONSIDERED, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED BY THE COURT THAT:

- (1) George Cooper Bell is hereby publicly censured.
- (2) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.1, this Order shall be effective upon entry.
- (3) The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this discipline to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.11.

PER CURIAM