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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: LAWRENCE EMORY LITTLE, BPR #9539
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July 18, 2019

BLOUNT COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED

On July 18, 2019, Lawrence Emory Little, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

In Mr. Little's role as fiduciary, he failed to diligently administer trust and estate matters and did not adequately communicate with the beneficiaries. Mr. Little failed to safeguard trust and estate funds collected on behalf of beneficiaries and failed to keep adequate records of the administration of such matters. Mr. Little also failed to comply with an agreed court order requiring that he provide his complete file to successor counsel and provide a full and accurate accounting of an estate within 30 days.

By these acts, Lawrence Emory Little has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence), 1.4 (communication), 1.15(d) (safekeeping property), 3.4(c) (disobeying obligation under rules of tribunal), 5.7 (law related services), and 8.4(a)(d) (misconduct) and is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations.

A Public Censure is a rebuke and warning to the attorney, but it does not affect the attorney's ability to practice law.

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IN DISCIPLINARY DISTRICT II
OF THE
BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY
OF THE
SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE

IN RE: Lawrence Emory Little, Respondent,
BPR# 9539, an attorney licensed
to practice law in Tennessee.
(Blount County)

FILE NO. 58338-2-KB

PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaint was filed against Lawrence Emory Little, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, alleging certain acts of misconduct. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, the Board of Professional Responsibility considered these matters at its meeting on June 14, 2019

In Mr. Little's role as fiduciary he failed to diligently administer trust and estate matters and did not adequately communicate with the beneficiaries. Mr. Little failed to safeguard trust and estate funds collected on behalf of beneficiaries and failed to keep adequate records of the administration of such matters. Mr. Little also failed to comply with an agreed court order requiring that he provide his complete file to successor counsel and provide a full and accurate accounting of an estate within 30 days.

By the aforementioned acts, Lawrence Emory Little has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence), 1.4 (communication), 1.15(d) (safekeeping property), 3.4(c) (disobeying obligation under rules of tribunal), 5.7 (law related services), and 8.4(a)(d) (misconduct) and is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations.

FOR THE BOARD OF
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Floyd S. Flippin

Floyd Flippin, Chair

7-18-2019

Date