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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: CHARLES RUFUS BOBBITT, BPR #21846**  
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April 17, 2018

**SUMNER COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED**

On April 16, 2018, Charles Rufus Bobbitt, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Bobbitt represented a client in seeking modification of a parenting plan. Mr. Bobbitt did not affix a proposed parenting plan and verified statement of income to his petition, as required by statute. The Court entered an order requiring Mr. Bobbitt to correct these deficiencies. Mr. Bobbitt failed to do so, which resulted in the dismissal of the petition. Additionally, Mr. Bobbitt failed to file a timely reply to opposing counsel's counter-petition, resulting in entry of a default judgment. Mr. Bobbitt also failed to maintain good communication with his client throughout the representation.

By these acts, Charles Rufus Bobbitt, has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1 (competence), 1.3 (diligence), 1.4(a) (communication), 3.2 (expediting litigation), and 3.4(c) (disobedience to an obligation under the rules of a tribunal), 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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