

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

IN RE: ZACHARY TY CARDEN, BPR #036752

FILE NO. 100731-2024-5-SC-INV

Respondent, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee

(Davidson County)

PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaint was filed against Zachary Ty Carden, #036752, 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 June 13, 2025.

Mr. Carden represented a client in a contested divorce action. Mr. Carden failed to take proper action to submit his client's discovery responses, resulting in the entry of a judgment against his client for opposing counsel's fees. After the divorce action settled through mediation, Mr. Carden failed to take action to facilitate entry of the final divorce decree and did not respond to his client's requests for information, resulting in delay in the finalization of the divorce action.

By these acts, Mr. Carden 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

R. Culver Schmid, Chair

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