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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: REX AUSTIN CHAMBERLAIN, BPR #034715
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February 19, 2020

SUMNER COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED

On February 19, 2020, Rex Austin Chamberlain, a Tennessee licensed attorney, was publicly censured by the Supreme Court of Tennessee and ordered to pay the expenses of the Board.

The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Petition for Discipline on December 14, 2018 concerning one (1) complaint of misconduct by his former employees alleging that Mr. Chamberlain's relationship with Patriot Angels was inappropriate. Patriot Angels received referrals from assisted living facilities to assist applicants in securing Aid and Attendance benefits for Veterans and would refer potential claimants to Mr. Chamberlain. Patriot Angels is not an intermediary organization, regulated by Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 44. Mr. Chamberlain executed a Conditional Guilty Plea acknowledging accepting referrals and lack of professional independence from Patriot Angels in violation of Tennessee Rules of Professional Conduct Rules 5.4 (professional independence of a lawyer), 7.1 (communication concerning a lawyer's services), 7.2(c) and (d) (advertising), 7.3(a) (solicitation of potential clients), 7.6(a) and (b) (intermediary organizations) and 8.4(a) (misconduct).

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 RE: REX AUSTIN CHAMBERLAIN BPR #034715
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Sumner County)

No. M2020-00211-SC-BAR-BP
BOPR No. 2018-2947-6-AJ

ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed against Rex Austin Chamberlain on December 14, 2018; upon Response to Petition for Discipline filed on January 31, 2019; upon Conditional Guilty Plea filed by Mr. Chamberlain on October 30, 2019; upon an Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea entered on November 7, 2019; upon service of the Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea upon Mr. Chamberlain by the Executive Secretary of the Board on November 7, 2019; upon consideration and approval by the Board on December 13, 2019; and upon the entire record in this cause.

From all of which the Court approves the Order of the Hearing Panel and adopts the Hearing Panel's Order Recommending Approval of the Conditional Guilty Plea as the Court's Order.

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

(1) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.4, Rex Austin Chamberlain, is hereby publicly censured.

(2) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 31.3(d), Mr. Chamberlain shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$2,057.00 and shall pay to the Clerk of this Court the costs incurred herein, within ninety (90) days of the entry of this Order, for all of which execution may issue if necessary.

(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.

(4) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.1, this Order shall be effective upon entry.

PER CURIAM