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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: CHARLES M. CLIFFORD, REG. NO. 1544
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July 26, 2006

MARYVILLE LAWYER CENSURED BY SUPREME COURT

By Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court entered July 24, 2006, Charles M. Clifford, a Maryville attorney, was publicly censured. Mr. Clifford was served with a Petition for Discipline on February 27, 2006. Mr. Clifford entered into a Conditional Plea of Guilty to resolve the said Petition for Discipline on May 26, 2006. The terms of the Conditional Plea of Guilty were approved by the Board of Professional Responsibility on June 16, 2006. Mr. Clifford admitted his guilt of failing to timely file an appellate brief, which neglect lead to the dismissal of his client's appeal, in violation of Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3 and 3.2, and of failing to respond to Disciplinary Counsel when requested to do so in violation of Rule of Professional Conduct 8.1(b). Pursuant to the Conditional Plea of Guilty, Mr. Clifford agreed to be publicly censured for this conduct. The Court further ordered that Mr. Clifford pay the costs of the disciplinary proceedings.

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