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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: PAUL FORREST CRAIG, BPR #18359**  
**CONTACT: PRESTON SHIPP**  
**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**  
**615-361-7500**

October 16, 2017

**SHELBY COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED**

On October 12, 2017, Paul Forrest Craig, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Craig represented a client in a probate matter. He was not retained to represent the client on appeal. Nevertheless, Mr. Craig received and signed for notices from the Court of Appeals, which he essentially disregarded. In addition, he failed to comply with a court order dated November 30, 2016, requiring him to provide information about his representation and failed to comply with a show cause order dated January 23, 2017.

By the aforementioned acts, Paul Forrest Craig, has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 3.4(c) (disobey rules of tribunal) and 8.4(d) (conduct prejudicial to administration of justice) and is hereby Publicly Censured for this violation.

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 IX  
OF THE  
BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY  
OF THE  
SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE

IN RE: Paul Forrest Craig, #18359  
Respondent, an attorney licensed  
to practice law in Tennessee  
(Shelby County)

FILE NO. 52771-9-PS

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PUBLIC CENSURE

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The above complaint was filed against Paul Forrest Craig, #18359, 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 September 8, 2017.

The Respondent represented a client in probate court. When the court did not admit the will to probate, the Respondent's client terminated the Respondent's representation and filed a pro se notice of appeal. Although the Respondent did not file the notice of appeal or agree to represent the client on appeal, the Respondent received and signed for notices from the Court of Appeals. The Respondent failed to comply with an order dated November 30, 2016, requiring him to provide information to the Court. Likewise, he failed to comply with a show cause order dated January 23, 2017.

By the aforementioned acts, Paul Forrest Craig has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 3.4(c) (disobey rules of tribunal) and 8.4(d) (conduct prejudicial to administration of justice) and

is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations.

FOR THE BOARD OF  
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

  
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Michael King, Chair

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Date

10/12/2017