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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: JOHNNY VON DUNAWAY, BPR #490**  
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January 25, 2013

**CAMPBELL COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED**

On January 25, 2013, Johnny Von Dunaway of LaFollette, Tennessee, was publicly censured by the Tennessee Supreme Court.

The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Petition for Discipline against Mr. Dunaway pursuant to Rule 9, Rules of the Supreme Court. Mr. Dunaway submitted a Conditional Guilty Plea acknowledging his violation of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 8, Rules of Professional Conduct 1.5(c) and (d) (fees), which prohibits certain contingency fees in domestic relations cases. Mr. Dunaway charged and received a contingent fee from his client in exchange for handling the appeal of her case under circumstances which made the fee violative of the Rules of Professional Conduct.

For these violations, the Tennessee Supreme Court publicly censured Johnny Von Dunaway. A public censure is a rebuke and warning to the attorney, but does not affect the attorney's ability to practice law.

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