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PARIS ATTORNEY CENSURED

On October 16, 2006, Richard L. Dunlap, of Paris, Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Tennessee Supreme Court. The Censure was based upon Dunlap's entering a Conditional Guilty Plea to a Petition for Discipline filed by the Board of Professional Responsibility against Dunlap. On June 30, 2006, the Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Petition for Discipline against Dunlap charging Dunlap with grabbing another attorney at the Henry County Court Annex on December 15, 2005. Dunlap was charged with assault, a Class B misdemeanor, which was resolved by Dunlap having no contact with the Complainant except in open court and by Dunlap filing a letter of apology. The Board of Professional Responsibility also charged Dunlap with writing a letter to a witness to the Henry County Court Annex incident offering the witness temporary employment. Dunlap's actions violate Rules 3.4, 8.1 and 8.4 of the Tennessee Rules of Professional Conduct. The Censure declares Dunlap's actions to be improper ethical conduct but does not limit his right to practice law.

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