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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
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## SAVANNAH, GEORGIA LAWYER CENSURED

On April 30, 2015, David Sidney Eichholz, of Savannah, Georgia, was publicly censured by the Supreme Court of Tennessee.

The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Petition for Discipline against David Sidney Eichholz on August 20, 2014, based upon one complaint of misconduct. On May 14, 2012, Mr. Eichholz's Tennessee license was placed on inactive status at his request. While his Tennessee license was inactive, Mr. Eichholz accepted the representation of a client in a personal injury action pending in Memphis, Tennessee. Mr. Eichholz was contacted by the client's former lawyer and was informed the client did not intend to change counsel. During the conversation, Mr. Eichholz indicated he was licensed to practice law in Tennessee but did not disclose his license was inactive. Mr. Eichholz's professional letterhead and website also failed to disclose the inactive status of his Tennessee license. In mitigation, Mr. Eichholz withdrew from the representation immediately after contact with the client's former lawyer, made no formal appearance and took no action in the personal injury case pending in Memphis. Mr. Eichholz also modified his letterhead and website to comply with the Rules of Professional Conduct.

Mr. Eichholz entered a conditional guilty plea admitting he violated Supreme Court Rules of Professional Conduct 5.5 (unauthorized practice of law), 7.1 (communications concerning a lawyer's services), 7.5 (firm names and letterheads) and 8.4 (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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