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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: GERALD TODD EIDSON, BPR #017342**  
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May 13, 2022

**HAWKINS COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED**

On May 13, 2022, Gerald Todd Eidson, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Eidson was appointed to represent a client in a dependency and neglect matter in juvenile court on June 7, 2021, and the adjudicatory hearing was set for June 29, 2021. Mr. Eidson failed to speak with the client until the day before the hearing, despite the client leaving multiple messages to speak with him. Mr. Eidson failed to seek a continuance until he was in court on June 29, and he withdrew his request for a continuance upon the objection by other parties. The client suffered potential harm.

By these acts, Mr. Eidson has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence) and 1.1 (competence) 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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