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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: JACOB EDWARD ERWIN, BPR #20728**  
**CONTACT: ALAN D. JOHNSON**  
**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**  
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September 30, 2015

**SHELBY COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED**

On September 29, 2015, Jacob Edward Erwin, of Memphis, Tennessee received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Petition for Discipline, and a Supplemental Petition for Discipline, against Mr. Erwin pursuant to Rule 9, Rules of the Supreme Court. Mr. Erwin failed to correct an error in a post-conviction pleading that resulted in the case being dismissed without prejudice. He also failed to timely respond to Disciplinary Counsel during the course of an investigation.

Mr. Erwin submitted a Conditional Guilty Plea acknowledging violations of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 8, Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence); 8.1(b) (disciplinary matters); and 8.4(a) (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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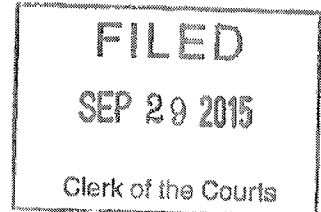
IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE  
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: JACOB EDWARD ERWIN, BPR #20728  
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee  
(Shelby County)

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No. M2015-01873-SC-BAR-BP  
BOPR No. 2014-2373-9-AJ

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**ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT**

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed against Jacob Edward Erwin on September 30, 2014; upon Respondent's Answer to Petition for Discipline filed by Mr. Erwin on October 21, 2014; upon a Supplemental Petition for Discipline filed against Mr. Erwin on January 23, 2015; upon Answer to Supplemental Petition for Discipline filed by Mr. Erwin on February 13, 2015; upon Motion to Recuse Hearing Panel filed by the Board on June 30, 2015; upon Response in Opposition to Disciplinary Counsel's Motion for the Hearing Panel to Recuse Itself filed by Mr. Erwin on July 1, 2015; upon Order Granting Board of Professional Responsibility's Motion to Recuse Hearing Panel, Placing Certain Documents Under Seal, and Establishing Protocol to Determine Admissibility and/or Relevance of Sealed Documents filed by the Hearing Panel on July 8, 2015; upon entry of a Conditional Guilty Plea filed by Mr. Erwin on August 31, 2015; upon an Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea entered on September 3, 2015; upon consideration and approval by the Board on September 11, 2015; and upon the entire record in this cause.

From all of which the Court approves the Order of the Hearing Panel and adopts the Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea as the Court's Order.

On May 21, 2014, Mr. Erwin's license to practice law was temporarily suspended by this Court pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.3 (2006) (Case No. M2014-00928-SC-BAR-BP). On June 22, 2015, Mr. Erwin filed a Petition to Dissolve Temporary Suspension. By order filed on August 24, 2015, the Petition was denied.

IT IS, THEREFORE, CONSIDERED, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED BY THE COURT THAT:

- (1) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.4 (2006) and Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, §

12.4 (2014), Jacob Edward Erwin is hereby publicly censured.

- (2) The Order of Temporary Suspension entered on May 21, 2014, in Case No. M2014-00928-SC-BAR-BP is hereby dissolved.
- (3) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 24.3 (2006) and Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 31.3 (2014), Mr. Erwin, in accordance with the Conditional Guilty Plea, shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$481.40 and shall pay to the Clerk of this Court the costs incurred herein, within ninety (90) days of the entry of this Order, for all of which execution may issue if necessary.
- (4) The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this discipline to be published.

PER CURIAM