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RE: STEVEN CARL FRAZIER, BPR# 7098
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SULLIVAN COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED

On April 27, 2011, Steven Carl Frazier, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Frazier was retained in July, 2008, to file a complaint for breach of contract related to a lease purchase agreement of real property. He failed to reasonably communicate with his clients, failed to prepare a complaint for his clients, failed to communicate with opposing counsel and failed to take action on his clients' behalf. Mr. Frazier has prior public discipline of a similar nature.

By the aforementioned acts, Steven Carl Frazier has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence), 1.4 (communication with client), and 8.4(a) (violation of Rules of Professional Conduct) and (d) (conduct prejudicial to administration of justice) and is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations.

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 RE: STEVEN CARL FRAZIER, BPR NO. 7098

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Respondent, an attorney licensed
to practice law in Tennessee
(Sullivan County)

PUBLIC CENSURE

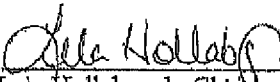
The above complaint was filed against Steven Carl Frazier, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, alleging certain acts of misconduct. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, the Board of Professional Responsibility considered these matters at its meeting on March 11, 2011.

Complainant and her husband retained Respondent in July, 2008, to file a complaint for breach of contract related to a lease purchase agreement of real property which included a country store. Complainant made regular efforts to contact Respondent to check on the progress of her case, but was often unable to communicate with him. Respondent failed to prepare a complaint on behalf of Complainant and failed to respond to letters from opposing counsel seeking an immediate payment of rent that had been forwarded to Respondent by the Complainant. Opposing counsel eventually filed a wrongful detainer action against Complainant and received court authorization to lock Complainant out of her country store. Respondent advised Complainant that there was nothing he could do about the situation until Monday and that he would call Complainant at that time. Respondent failed to call Complainant the following Monday and he could not be reached about the case. Respondent failed to have any

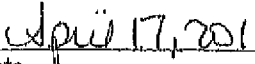
contact with opposing counsel until just before the court hearing in the wrongful detainer case. Respondent's representation was subsequently discharged by the Complainant. Respondent has prior public discipline of a similar nature.

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Lela Hollabaugh, Chair



Date