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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: ROBERT HARRIS GOLDER, BPR #034911**  
**CONTACT: STEVEN J. CHRISTOPHER**  
**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**  
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April 13, 2021

**SHELBY COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED**

On April 13, 2021, Robert Harris Golder, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Golder represented two clients in petitions for post-conviction relief, and a third client in a petition for habeas relief. In all three matters, Mr. Golder delayed in taking proper action on behalf of his clients, failed to respond to inquiries from his clients, and failed to keep his clients updated on the status of their cases. In the habeas proceeding, Mr. Golder also missed applicable court deadlines and failed to deposit unearned fees into his trust account.

By these acts, Mr. Golder, has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence), 1.4 (communication), 1.15 (safekeeping property and funds), 3.2 (expediting litigation), and 3.4(c) (fairness to opposing party and counsel) 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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IN DISCIPLINARY DISTRICT IX  
OF THE  
BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY  
OF THE  
SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE

IN RE: ROBERT HARRIS GOLDER, BPR NO. 034911  
Respondent, an attorney licensed  
to practice law in Tennessee  
(Shelby County)

FILE NOS. 61380c-9-SC,  
62045c-9-SC,  
and 64127c-9-SC

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PUBLIC CENSURE

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The above complaint was filed against Robert Harris Golder, #034911, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, alleging certain acts of misconduct. Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, the Board of Professional Responsibility considered these matters at its meeting on March 12, 2021.

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FOR THE BOARD OF  
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

*Floyd S. Flippin*

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Floyd S. Flippin, Chair

*4-13-21*

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Date