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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: ROBERT HARRIS GOLDER, BPR #034911
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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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