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Executive Secretary

IN DISCIPLINARY DISTRICT V OF THE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE

In Re: Jefre S. Goldtrap, Respondent
An Attorney Licensed To
Practice Law In Tennessee
(Davidson County, BPR #18668)

B.P.R. File No. <u>25543-5-ch</u>

PUBLIC CENSURE

A complaint for discipline was filed against respondent, Jefre S. Goldtrap, of Nashville, Tennessee. Pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 8.1, the Board of Professional Responsibility considered the matter at its regular meeting and determined that a Public Censure was appropriate discipline in the above matter. Notice of the proposed censure was mailed to respondent and no objection was filed within the time set by the rule. Therefore, the Public Censure has become final.

On August 13, 2002, respondent was ordered to appear before the Court of Criminal Appeals to show cause why he should not be held in contempt for failure to file a timely appellant's brief for his client. Respondent appeared as directed and was held in contempt at that time. Respondent was fined \$50.00 and costs.

Respondent did file a late brief. He also filed a motion to continue the brief deadline but the motion was denied and respondent failed to comply with the order of the court.

Respondent violated DR 7-106(C)(7): Intentional violation of a rule of procedure. He also violated DR 7-106(A): Disregarding a standing rule of a tribunal; and, DR 1-102(A)(5): Conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice.

Jefre S. Goldtrap is CENSURED for these violations.

Rule 9, Section 8.1 of the Tennessee Supreme Court Rules permits the

respondent twenty (20) days to request a formal hearing in this matter. Absent such a request this file will be closed.

FOR THE BOARD:

Charles E. Carpenter, Chairman

Board of Professional Responsibility

(Dated)

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