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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: ANDREW N. HALL, BPR #13481
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July 21, 2010

MORGAN COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED

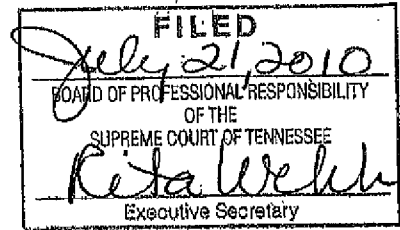
On July 21, 2010, Andrew N. Hall, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Hall was contacted by a prison inmate regarding a post-conviction matter. Mr. Hall requested \$500 to go to the prison for a consultation, which was paid. On October 20, 2009, Mr. Hall visited the inmate and discussed representation on a Writ of Certiorari to be filed in Chancery Court. Mr. Hall received the balance of the \$3,500.00 retainer on October 21, 2009, and had his assistant draft the Petition. On October 29, 2009, Mr. Hall reviewed and approved the Petition. The Petition was forwarded to the court for filing. Mr. Hall did not have the inmate/petitioner sign or swear to the Petition, as required by statute and case law. The adversary filed a Motion to Dismiss. Since the time to cure the failure of inmate signature had lapsed, the case was dismissed on January 21, 2010.

By these acts, Andrew N. Hall has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1 (competence) and 1.3 (diligence), 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 DISCIPLINARY DISTRICT II
OF THE
BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY
OF THE
SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE

IN RE: ANDREW N. HALL, BPR NO. 13481
Respondent, an attorney licensed
to practice law in Tennessee
(Morgan County)

FILE NO. 32905-2-JV

PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaint was filed against Andrew N. Hall, 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 June 11, 2010.

Respondent was retained by the client on October 21, 2009, to file a Writ of Certiorari in Chancery Court. The Respondent's staff drafted the Petition. On October 29, 2009, Respondent reviewed and approved the Petition and forwarded same to the court for filing. Respondent failed to have his client sign the petition under oath, as required by statute law. On or about December 15, 2009, the adversary filed a motion to dismiss. The time for filing the Petition had lapsed. The Petition was dismissed on January 21, 2010.

By the aforementioned facts, Andrew N. Hall has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1 and 1.3 and is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations.

FOR THE BOARD OF
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY



Roger Maness, Chair

7-12-10

Date