

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

IN RE: Stephen Todd Hastey, BPR NO. 22835
Respondent, an attorney licensed
to practice law in Tennessee
(Knox County)

FILE NO. 35588-3(N)-ES

PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaint was filed against Stephen Todd Hastey, 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 December 6, 2013.


After receiving a client's settlement proceeds, Respondent issued a check to the client's medical provider for \$4,666.67. The medical provider failed to deposit the check for ten months, at which time the funds were not in the trust account. Respondent then paid the medical provider from his personal funds.

In another matter, Respondent paid a filing fee for a client with funds from the trust account. Respondent later determined that the client had not given him funds to pay the fee.

In another matter, Respondent used trust account funds to pay four personal and business expenses.

By the aforementioned acts, Stephen Todd Hastey has violated Rule of Professional Conduct Rule 1.15 (safekeeping funds) and is hereby Publicly Censured for this violation.

FOR THE BOARD OF
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY



J. Russell Parkes, Chair

2/4/14

Date