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# KNOX COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED

On July 24, 2012, Lisa Belle Hatfield, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Ms. Hatfield's law license was suspended for Continuing Legal Education (CLE) noncompliance and she practiced law for two months while her license was suspended. This constitutes the unauthorized practice of law. Her license was later reinstated when she fulfilled her CLE requirements.

By these acts, Lisa Belle Hatfield, has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 5.5 (Unauthorized Practice of Law) 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 II OF THE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE

IN RE: LISA BELLE HATFIELD, BPR NO. 16805

Respondent, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee

(Knox-Gounty)-

FILE NO. 34636-2-BM

#### PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaint was filed against Lisa Belle Hatfield, 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 June 22, 2012.

Respondent was suspended by the Tennessee Supreme Court for CLB noncompliance and practiced law for two months while her license was suspended. This constitutes the unauthorized practice of law. Respondent's license was then reinstated.

By the aforementioned acts, Lisa Belle Hatfield, has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 5.5 (unauthorized practice of law) and is hereby Publicly Consured for this violation.

> FOR THE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

July 24, 2012