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

IN RE: RANDALL KEITH HATFIELD, BPR NO. 18026,

FILE NO. 45352c-2-KB

Respondent, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee (Knox County)

## PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaint was filed against Randall Keith 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 this matter at its meeting on June 9, 2017.

Mr. Hatfield failed to diligently represent his client or expedite the litigation in his client's post-conviction proceeding. Mr. Hatfield also failed to adequately communicate with his client and other persons associated with the representation and was ultimately removed as appointed counsel by the court.

By these acts, Randall Keith Hatfield has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence), 1.4 (communication), 3.2 (expediting litigation), and 8.4(d) (conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice), and is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations.

FOR THE BOARD OF

PROFESSIONAL KESPONSIBILITY

Michael King, Chair

Date