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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: ARTHUR HENRY, BPR #9484
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## LOUDON COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED

On April 16, 2010, Arthur Henry, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Henry represented two separate clients who bought model homes and subsequently discovered the houses were built on a sinkhole. Both clients wanted to file suit against the developer of the subdivision. Mr. Henry admits after he was informed by an expert that the damages in the cases were minimal, he did not want to pursue the case. He ceased communicating with his two clients, despite they sent numerous emails to him and left several telephone messages inquiring about the status of their cases. Mr. Henry failed to inform them that he was terminating the representation. Mr. Henry also failed to comply with the Board's repeated requests for additional information.

Arthur Henry has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence), 1.4 (communication), 1.16 (declining and terminating representation), and 8.1(b) (failure to comply with disciplinary requests) 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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