IN DISCIPLINARY DISTRICT VII

OF THE

BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

OF THE

SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE

IN RE: Phillip Gordon Hollis, Respondent,

BPR# 7461, an attorney licensed to

practice law in Tennessee.

(Benton County)

FILE NO. 64913-7-KB

PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaint was filed against Phillip Gordon Hollis, 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 December

11, 2020.

Mr. Hollis failed to provide notice to his clients, opposing counsel, and the courts that he

had been administratively suspended on March 11, 2020, and his clients were unable to get in

touch with him. Mr. Hollis failed to appear for a scheduled court hearing and subsequently

informed the court that he had provided written notice to his clients of his suspension. On June

23, 2020, Mr. Hollis was ordered to provide copies of the notices he had provided to his clients

but was unable to do so. Mr. Hollis later acknowledged he had not sent such letters to his clients

and was removed as counsel by the court.

By the aforementioned acts, Mr. Hollis has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 1.3

(diligence), 1.4 (communication), 1.16(d) (terminating representation), 3.2 (expediting litigation),

3.3 (candor toward tribunal), 3.4(c) (disobeying obligation under rules of tribunal), and 8.4(a)(c)(d)

(misconduct) and is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations.

FOR THE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Floyd Floppin Chair

2-9-21

Date