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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: JERRY DELL HOLMES, BPR #16150
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October 18, 2016

WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA LAWYER CENSURED

On October 14, 2016, Jerry Dell Holmes, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Holmes operates a title and escrow company. Mr. Holmes did not maintain adequate bookkeeping procedures and failed to properly train and supervise non-lawyer staff which resulted in numerous overdrafts on Mr. Holmes' trust accounts.

By these acts, Jerry Dell Holmes has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.15 (safekeeping property and funds) and 5.3 (responsibilities regarding non-lawyer assistants), 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.

IN DISCIPLINARY DISTRICT 0
OF THE
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IN RE: JERRY DELL HOLMES, BPR NO. 16150
Respondent, an attorney licensed
to practice law in Tennessee
(Wilmington, NC)

FILE NOs. 44642n-0-BG
44643n-0-BG
45879n-0-SC

PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaint was filed against Jerry Dell Holmes, #16150, 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 September 9, 2016.

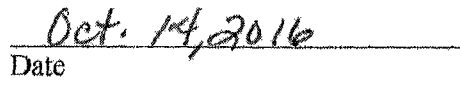
Mr. Holmes operates a title and escrow company. Mr. Holmes did not maintain adequate bookkeeping procedures and failed to properly train and supervise nonlawyer staff. As a result, at least twenty overdrafts occurred on Mr. Holmes' trust accounts over a six month period.

By these acts, Jerry Dell Holmes has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.15 (safekeeping property and funds) and 5.3 (responsibilities regarding nonlawyer assistants), and is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations.

FOR THE BOARD OF
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY



Michael King, Chair



Date