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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: ANGELA JOY HOPSON, BPR #22500
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April 20, 2016

MADISON COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED

On April 14, 2016, Angela Joy Hopson, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

In September of 2015, Ms. Hopson's license was suspended for failure to pay the Professional Privilege Tax. On October 30, 2015, Ms. Hopson appeared in court representing a defendant in a criminal case. Ms. Hopson continued practicing law for two more weeks until a colleague drew her attention to the administrative suspension. Ms. Hopson's license was returned to active status on November 17, 2015.

By these acts, Angela Joy Hopson 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 7
OF THE
BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY
OF THE
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IN RE: ANGELA JOY HOPSON, BPR NO. 22500
Respondent, an attorney licensed
to practice law in Tennessee
(Madison County)

FILE NO. 44881-7-PS

PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaint was filed against Angela Joy Hopson, #22500, 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 March 11, 2016.

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FOR THE BOARD OF
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Michael King, Chair

April 14, 2016
Date