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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: GEORGE TURNER HOWARD, III, BPR #007111
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KNOXVILLE LAWYER CENSURED

On October 16, 2020, George Turner Howard, III, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Howard shared fees with outside counsel without first obtaining the informed consent of his clients in writing. Mr. Howard also provided financial assistance to clients, held out certain non-lawyer staff as persons holding corporate officer positions in his firm, and made deceptive statements through his advertising. Mr. Howard has corrected these issues and has agreed to discontinue such conduct.

By these acts, George Turner Howard, III has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 1.5(e) (fees), 1.8(e) (conflict of interest), 5.4(d) (professional independence of a lawyer), 7.1 (communications concerning a lawyer's services), 7.4 (communication of fields of practice and specialization) 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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