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RE: SCOTT DAVID JOHANNESSEN, BPR #26767
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July 30, 2013

DAVIDSON COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED

On July 29, 2013, Scott David Johannessen, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

On November 29, 2012, Mr. Johannessen's law license was suspended for failure to pay his professional privilege tax for two or more years. On December 19, 2012, Mr. Johannessen's license was reinstated. Mr. Johannessen engaged in the practice of law while administratively suspended from the practice of law.

By these acts, Scott David Johannessen has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 5.5 (unauthorized practice of law), 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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IN DISCIPLINARY DISTRICT V
OF THE
BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY
OF THE
SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE

IN RE: SCOTT DAVID JOHANNESSEN,
BPR NO. 26767, Respondent, an
attorney licensed to practice law
in Tennessee
(Davidson County)

FILE NO. 35758c-5-ES
35759-5-ES

PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaint was filed against Respondent Scott David Johannessen, 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 June 14, 2013.

On November 29, 2012, Respondent's license to practice law was suspended for failure to pay his professional privilege tax for two or more years. On December 19, 2012, Respondent's license was reinstated. Respondent engaged in the practice of law while administratively suspended from the practice of law. Respondent's client and the public suffered potential harm as a result of Respondent's actions.

By the aforementioned facts, Scott David Johannessen, has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 5.5 and is hereby Publicly Censured for this violation.

FOR THE BOARD OF
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Lela Hollabaugh
Lela Hollabaugh, Chair

July 29, 2013
Date