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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: STEPHANIE BRANAM JOHNSON, BPR #030782
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PUTNAM COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED

On September 29, 2026, Stephanie Branam Johnson, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Ms. Johnson represented a client in a probate proceeding and in pursuing an order of protection. When Ms. Johnson undertook the representation, she was a partner in a private firm. While the representation was ongoing, Ms. Johnson left the firm and opened a solo practice. Ms. Johnson failed to notify her client of the move. After being discharged by her client, Ms. Johnson did not respond to the client's request for an accounting of her fees. Ms. Johnson also failed to respond to a request for information from Disciplinary Counsel after the opening of the Board's investigation.

By these acts, Stephanie Branam Johnson has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.4 (communication), 1.16(d) (terminating representation), and 8.1(b) (bar admission and disciplinary matters) 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.