

IN DISCIPLINARY DISTRICT V  
OF THE  
BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY  
OF THE  
SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE

IN RE: JAMES GREGORY KING, BPR NO. 17439  
Respondent, an attorney licensed  
to practice law in Tennessee  
(Davidson County)

FILE NO. 48167-5-SC

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PUBLIC CENSURE

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The above complaint was filed against James Gregory King, #17439, 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 December 9, 2016.

An order was entered in one of Mr. King's divorce cases requiring Mr. King's client to appear before the Court with photographic material and other data stored on his cell phone and show cause why the data should not be filed under seal. The parties and their counsel attempted to reach an agreement while in Court waiting for their case to be called. One of the options considered was to require Mr. King to delete all of the data from his cell phone. Acting under Mr. King's direction, Mr. King's client deleted the data from his cell phone before a final agreement was reached and presented to the Court for approval.

By these acts, James Gregory King has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 3.4(a) (unlawful destruction of material having potential evidentiary value) and 3.4(c) (knowing disobedience to the rules of a tribunal) and is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations.

FOR THE BOARD OF  
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

  
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Michael King, Chair

3/13/2017  
Date