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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: BRENNAN PATRICK LENIHAN, BPR #022165
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KNOX COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED

On July 17, 2018, Brennan Patrick Lenihan, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

In three separate cases, Mr. Lenihan engaged in a pattern of neglecting client matters. In the first case, Mr. Lenihan ignored his client's attempts to obtain information about their case as well as requests from the Board's Consumer Assistance Program during this time period. In the second case, Mr. Lenihan allowed deadlines that were important to his clients to pass, he did not provide them with draft pleadings as they requested, and he did not reply to a number of their text messages inquiring as to the status of the matter. In the third case, Mr. Lenihan did not complete his client's amendment to a custody order, he ignored her numerous attempts to communicate with him for several months, including her request for her file and a refund of fees paid, and he ignored inquiries from the Board's Consumer Assistance Program as well. In addition, Mr. Lenihan failed to respond timely to a disciplinary complaint.

By these acts, Brennan Patrick Lenihan, has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 1.2 (scope of representation), 1.3 (diligence), 1.4 (communication), 1.5 (unreasonable fee), 1.16 (terminating representation) and 8.1 (disciplinary matters), and is hereby Publicly Censured for this violation with the conditions that he engage a practice monitor and issue refunds to the affected clients.

A Public Censure is a rebuke and warning to the attorney, but it does not affect the attorney's ability to practice law.