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

IN RE: Brennan Patrick Lenihan, BPR NO. 022165
Respondent, an attorney licensed
to practice law in Tennessee
(Knox County)

FILE NOS. 54081c-2-PS, 53640c-2-PS and 52413c-2-PS

PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaints were filed against Brennan Patrick Lenihan #022165, 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 June 8, 2018.

Mr. Lenihan has engaged 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 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. Similarly, 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 Consumer Assistance Program as well. In addition, Mr. Lenihan failed to respond timely to a disciplinary complaint.

By the aforementioned acts, Brennan Patrick Lenihan has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.2 (Scope of Representation), 1.3 (Diligence), 1.4 (Communication), 1.5 (Unreasonable

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Fee), 1.16 (Terminating Representation), and 8.1 (Bar Admission and Disciplinary Matters) and is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations. Pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 12.8, the Public Censure was conditioned upon the requirement that Mr. Lenihan engage a practice monitor and issue refunds to his clients,

FOR THE BOARD OF

PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILIT

Jimmie C. Miller, Chair

Date