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IN DISCIPLINARY DISTRICT VI
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SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE

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IN RE: RANDY PAUL LUCAS, BPR NO. 19907

Respondent, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee (Sumner County)

FILE NO. 34798-6-BG

## PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaint was filed against Randy Paul Lucas, 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 22, 2012.

Respondent was retained by Complainants on December 1, 2005, to represent them in a civil action to recover damages for breach of a cost plus building contract. Respondent represented to Complainants on several occasions that Respondent had obtained a trial date. When each alleged trial date approached Respondent notified the Complainants their trial had been continued. After Respondent notified Complainants their December 6, 2011 trial had been continued, Complainants went to the courthouse and reviewed the court file. Complainants discovered Respondent had never obtained any trial date. Respondent admitted his misrepresentations of fact to Complainants and neglect of the case and refunded their legal fee.

By the aforementioned acts, Randy Paul Lucas, violated Rule of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence); 1.4 (communication); 3.2 (expediting litigation); and 8.4 (misconduct) and is hereby Publicly Censured for this violation.

FOR THE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Lela Hollabaugh, Chair

July 24, 2012