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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: KAY JEFFREY LUETHKE, BPR #015534
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SULLIVAN COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED

On July 10, 2018, Kay Jeffrey Luethke, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Luethke improperly commingled trust funds into his operating account and personal funds into his trust account on several different occasions. Mr. Luethke also held funds in his trust account which were not related to any representation, withdrew funds without allowing adequate time for a check to clear, and inadvertently used trust funds to pay a personal debt without reconciling his account and correcting the problem.

By these acts, Kay Jeffrey Luethke, has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 1.15 (safekeeping property) and is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations. As a condition of the Public Censure, Mr. Luethke shall be required to attend the Board's Trust Account Workshop on August 29, 2018.

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

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