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## MEMPHIS ATTORNEY CENSURED

On October 13, 2011, Venita M. Martin of Memphis, Tennessee was publicly censured by the Tennessee Supreme Court.

The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Petition for Discipline against Ms. Martin pursuant to Rule 9, Rules of the Supreme Court. Ms. Martin, through counsel, submitted a Conditional Guilty Plea acknowledging violations of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 8, Rules of Professional Conduct 1.7 (conflict of interest); 3.4 (fairness to opposing party and counsel); and 8.4 (misconduct).

For these violations, the Tennessee Supreme Court publicly censured Venita M. Martin. A public censure is a rebuke and warning to the attorney, but does not affect the attorney's ability to practice law.

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