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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: BRETT NATHANIEL MAYES, BPR #031762
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WASHINGTON COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED

On October 17, 2023, Brett Nathaniel Mayes, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Mayes served on a local planning commission, and he was required to complete a "Statement of Interest" form by the Tennessee Ethics Commission. Mr. Mayes falsely stated on the form that he had never filed bankruptcy when he had filed bankruptcy in 2019. Mr. Mayes completed the form for two calendar years, indicating on both filings that he had not filed bankruptcy. The forms were completed under penalty of perjury.

By these acts, Brett Nathaniel Mayes, has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 8.4(c) (conduct involving dishonesty) and is hereby Publicly Censured for this violation.

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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