



**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY  
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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: JOHN GARY McDOUGAL, BPR #16488**  
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**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**  
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March 31, 2020

**CHATTANOOGA LAWYER CENSURED**

On March 31, 2020, John Gary McDougal, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. McDougal failed to adhere to filing deadlines as set forth in the Rules of Appellate Procedure and thereafter failed to comply with orders filed by the Criminal Court of Appeals. Mr. McDougal was found to be in contempt of court for his conduct.

By these acts, John Gary McDougal has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence), 3.2 (expediting litigation), 3.4(c) (disobeying an obligation under the rules of tribunal), and 8.4(a) and (d) (misconduct), and is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations.

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

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

IN RE: John Gary McDougal, Respondent,  
BPR# 16488, an attorney licensed to  
practice law in Tennessee.  
(Hamilton County)

FILE NO. 62819-3-KB

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PUBLIC CENSURE

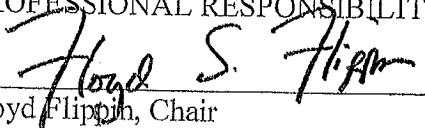
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The above complaint was filed against John Gary McDougal, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, alleging certain acts of misconduct. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, the Board of Professional Responsibility considered this matter at its meeting on March 13, 2020.

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By the aforementioned acts, John Gary McDougal has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence), 3.2 (expediting litigation), 3.4(c) (disobeying an obligation under the rules of tribunal), and 8.4(a) and (d) (misconduct), and is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations.

FOR THE BOARD OF  
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

  
Floyd Flippin, Chair

3-31-20  
Date