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RE: JOHN HOLLIS McELHENY, BPR #28657
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## ALABAMA LAWYER CENSURED

On July 18, 2016, John Hollis McElheny, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. McElheny provided financial assistance to his client on two occasions prior to the resolution of the case and failed to safeguard a client settlement check by failing to deposit the check in his trust account.

By these acts, John Hollis McElheny has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.8(e) (conflict of interest) and 1.15 (safekeeping property) and he 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.

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