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

IN RE: ROBERT ELLIOTT MCGUIRE, BPR NO.21594

FILE NO. 53538-5-PS

Respondent, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee (Davidson County)

## PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaint was filed against Robert Elliott McGuire, #21594, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, alleging certain acts of misconduct. Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, the Board of Professional Responsibility considered these matters at its meeting on March 9, 2018.

In October of 2013, Mr. McGuire made statements in the rebuttal closing argument of a criminal prosecution that referenced material which had been excluded by the trial court in a pretrial Order. Further, the statements were inappropriate, served no legitimate purpose, and resulted in reversal of the conviction by the Court of Criminal Appeals.

By the aforementioned acts, Robert Elliott McGuire has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 3.4(c) (disobey rules of tribunal) and 8.4(d) (conduct prejudicial to administration of justice) and is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations.

FOR THE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

imphie C. Miller, Chair

Date