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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: ROBERT ELLIOTT MCGUIRE, BPR #21594
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April 10, 2018

DAVIDSON COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED

On April 10, 2018, Robert Elliott McGuire, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

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 these 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.

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

IN RE: ROBERT ELLIOTT MCGUIRE, BPR NO.21594
Respondent, an attorney licensed
to practice law in Tennessee
(Davidson County)

FILE NO. 53538-5-PS


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 pre-trial 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



Jimmie C. Miller, Chair

4-10-18

Date