

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

IN RE: Karl Emmanuel Pulley, #012761
Respondent, an attorney licensed
to practice law in Tennessee
(Davidson County)

FILE NO. 68131-5-ES

PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaint was filed against Karl Emmanuel Pulley, #012761, 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 this matter at its meeting on March 11, 2022.

On July 30, 2020, Mr. Pulley was hired to represent a client on criminal charges, and Mr. Pulley was paid \$7,500. Mr. Pulley's law license was suspended on June 8, 2021, and he had to withdraw from the representation. Mr. Pulley told the client he would resume the representation after he was reinstated, but he did not do so. Mr. Pulley's fee was not fully earned during the representation.

By these act, Mr. Pulley is in violation of Rules of Professional Conduct 1.4 (communication), 1.5 (fees), 1.16 (termination of representation) and Section 28 of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9. Mr. Pulley is hereby Publicly Censured for this conduct with the condition that he make a partial refund to the client of \$3,750 within 90 days.

FOR THE BOARD OF
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Floyd S Flippin

Floyd Flippin, Chair

8/4/22

Date