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

JAMES DIMMETT PURPLE, SR., BPR NO. 9833, N RE:

FILE NO. 37018-3-KB

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

**PUBLIC CENSURE** 

The above complaint was filed against James Dimmett Purple, Sr., 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 June 12, 2015.

Mr. Purple failed to adequately communicate with a client about the status of litigation and failed to adequately prepare for trial. Mr. Purple took actions without the authority of his client and failed to object to key matters in the case which resulted in prejudice against his client.

By these acts, James Dimmett Purple, Sr. has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1 (competence), 1.2 (scope of representation), 1.3 (diligence), 1.4 (communication), and 8.4(a) and (d) (misconduct) and is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations.

FOR THE BOARD OF

PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

10/13/2015 Date