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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: JAMES DIMMETT PURPLE, SR., BPR #9833
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October 15, 2015

HAMILTON COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED

On October 13, 2015, James Dimmett Purple, Sr., an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Purple failed to adequately communicate with a client about the status of litigation and failed to adequately prepare for trial. Mr. Purple also 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 Rule 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.

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 ZERO
OF THE
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N RE: JAMES DIMMETT PURPLE, SR., BPR NO. 9833,
Respondent, an attorney licensed
to practice law in Tennessee
(Hamilton County)

FILE NO. 37018-3-KB

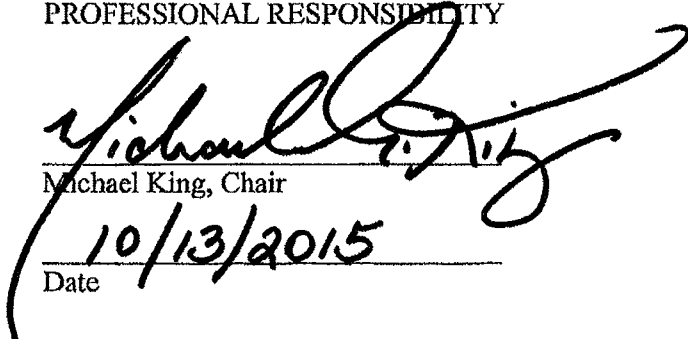
PUBLIC CENSURE

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


Michael King, Chair

10/13/2015
Date