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BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

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

IN RE: FERNANDO JOSE RAMOS, BPR NO. 11105

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

FILE NO. 33864-5-PS

PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaint was filed against Fernando Jose Ramos, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, alleging certain acts of misconduct. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, the Board of Professional Responsibility considered this matter at its meeting on June 10, 2011.

On July 18, 2009, the Respondent was suspended from the practice of law for three years.

The Respondent did not inform his client of the suspension. Instead, he transferred the client's file to another attorney without communicating with or obtaining permission from the client.

The information provided demonstrates that the Respondent failed to maintain reasonable communication with his client, by neglecting to inform him that he had been suspended from the practice of law and by forwarding his client's file to another lawyer without his client's knowledge or consent. However, all of this conduct occurred around the time of the Respondent's suspension. Since that time, an additional three-year suspension has been imposed for conduct similar to the present matter.

By the aforementioned acts, Fernando Jose Ramos, has violated 1.2 (Scope of Representation), 1.4 (Communication), 1.6 (Confidentiality), and 1.16 (Declining and

Terminating Representation) of Professional Conduct and is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations.

FOR THE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Lela Hollabaugh, Chair

<u>_Juyo, 2011</u>