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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: JOHNNY QUITMAN RASBERRY, JR., BPR #19160
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SHELBY COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED

On July 18, 2016, Johnny Quitman Rasberry, Jr., an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Rasberry was hired by a client in a divorce case and received an agreed marital dissolution agreement signed by both parties in June 2014. Mr. Rasberry failed to file the complaint for divorce until February 2015, at which point the signed MDA was stale. The client filed a disciplinary complaint, and Mr. Rasberry failed to timely respond to the complaint. The client's divorce was eventually completed in February 2016.

By these acts, Mr. Rasberry is in violation of Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence), 1.4 (communication), 3.2 (expediting litigation), 8.1 (disciplinary matters), and 8.4 (prejudice to the administration of justice) and is hereby publicly censured for this violation. 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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