

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

IN RE: SORNAVIDYA SABA SANKAR, BPR NO. 037964  
Respondent, an attorney licensed  
to practice law in Tennessee  
(Davidson County)

FILE NOS.  
101303-2025-5-TT-INV &  
101342-2025-5-TT-INV

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PUBLIC CENSURE

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The above complaints were filed against Sornavidya Saba Sankar #037964, 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, 2026.

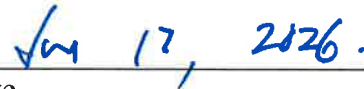
Ms. Sankar admittedly abused substances and experienced mental health issues. During such time, Ms. Sankar failed to communicate with her clients about their cases being reset due to her circumstances, failed to appear in court without contacting her clients or the Court, and failed to respond to the Court's inquiries into her status, thereby delaying litigation. Ms. Sankar represented to the Court that she would appear at a hearing then failed to attend, resulting in multiple cases being reset and new attorneys being appointed to replace her. In her condition, Ms. Sankar failed to act competently in representing her clients. She also made multiple misrepresentations to a colleague about self-reporting to the Board.

By these acts, Ms. Sankar has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1 (competence), 1.3 (diligence), 1.4(a)(3) (communication), 3.2 (expediting litigation), 8.4(c) and 8.4(d) (misconduct) and is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations.

FOR THE BOARD OF  
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY



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R. Culver Schmid, Chair



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