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

In Re: John T. Sholly, Respondent

An Attorney Licensed To

Practice Law in Tennessee

(Knoxville, Tennessee BPR #16900)

B.O.P.R. File No. <u>28265-2(K)-TH</u>

PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaint was filed against John T. Sholly who practices law in Knoxville, Tennessee. This complaint alleges acts of misconduct in violation of the Tennessee Rules of Professional Responsibility (Rule 8, Rules of the Supreme Court of Tennessee.) Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, the Board of Professional Responsibility considered this matter and determined that a Public Censure was appropriate.

Respondent was retained to represent a client in regards to a matter before the Court of Appeals. He filed a notice of appeal on September 16, 2004. The record was filed on November 19, 2004. Respondent did not file a brief, nor did he request an extension of time. A show cause order was entered on March 14, 1005, to show why the appeal should not be dismissed. Respondent did not respond. On April 26, 2005, the court ordered Respondent to file a brief before May 10, 2005. No brief was filed. On May 13, 2005, the court ordered Respondent to appear before it on May 31, 2005. Respondent appeared before the court. The court found him in contempt and fined him \$50.

Mr. Sholly has thereby violated RPC 1.3, 3.2, 3.5(e), and 8.4(d). He is censured for these violations.

This the

day of

<u>2007</u>

W. Eefber Tracy, Chair

Board of the Professional Responsibility