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RE: BYRON RAY SIMPSON, BPR #20283
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July 21, 2011

DAVIDSON COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED

On July 20, 2011, Byron Ray Simpson, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

On December 3, 2010, Byron Ray Simpson's law license was suspended because he failed to pay the Professional Privilege Tax. His license was returned to active status on January 20, 2011. However, between December 3, 2010, and January 20, 2011, Mr. Simpson continued to practice law.

By the aforementioned acts, Byron Ray Simpson, has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 5.5 (Unauthorized Practice of Law) 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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IN RE: Byron Ray Simpson, BPR NO. 20283
Respondent, an attorney licensed
to practice law in Tennessee
(Davidson County)

FILE NO. 33774-5-PS

PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaint was filed against Byron Ray Simpson, 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 December 3, 2010, the Respondent's law license was suspended because he failed to pay the Professional Privilege Tax. His license was returned to active status on January 20, 2011. However, between December 3, 2010, and January 20, 2011, the Respondent continued to practice law.

By the aforementioned acts, Byron Ray Simpson, has violated 5.5 (Unauthorized Practice of Law) of Professional Conduct and is hereby Publicly Censured for this violation.

FOR THE BOARD OF
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Lela Hollabaugh, Chair

Date July 18, 2011