

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

IN RE: C. LEANN SMITH, BPR NO. 018899
Respondent, an attorney licensed
to practice law in Tennessee
(Davidson County)

FILE NO. 58897-5-ES

PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaint was filed against C. LeAnn Smith, 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 September 11, 2020.

In a custody matter in which she was a party, Ms. Smith lied under oath in a deposition in response to six questions about her use of alcohol in the presence of the child. The subject matter of Ms. Smith's testimony was relevant to the pending custody matter. In mitigation, Ms. Smith's conduct was not done in the representation of a client, and Ms. Smith admitted her conduct under oath in her trial testimony in the same proceeding.

By the aforementioned acts, C. LeAnn Smith has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 8.4(c) (conduct involving dishonesty) and 8.4(d) (prejudice to the administration of justice) and is hereby Publicly Censured with the condition that within sixty days she schedule and complete an assessment with the Tennessee Lawyer's Assistance Program and follow any recommendation made by TLAP.

FOR THE BOARD OF
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Floyd S. Flippin

Floyd Flippin, Chair

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