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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
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SHELBY COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED

On October 14, 2019, Randy N. Songstad, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Songstad held over \$350.00 in personal funds in his trust account, resulting in commingling of funds in violation of Rule 1.15(a) (safekeeping funds). Several months later, Mr. Songstad deposited over \$11,000 in an earned fee into trust because he did not have an operating account, resulting in the further commingling of client funds and personal funds in violation of Rule 1.15.

By these acts, Mr. Songstad has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 1.15 (safekeeping funds) on multiple occasions. For this conduct, Mr. Songstad is hereby publicly censured with the condition that he attend the Board's Trust Account Workshop on March 25, 2020.

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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