IN DISCIPLINARY DISTRICT IX
OF THE
BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

OF THE

SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE

IN RE: SHANTELL S. SUTTLE, #023365

Respondent, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee

(Shelby County)

FILE NO. 54169-9-ES, 54235-9-ES 55496-9-ES

PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaints were filed against Shantell S. Suttle, 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 8, 2018.

In one client matter, Ms. Suttle failed to timely file her client's personal injury lawsuit in violation of Rule 1.3 (diligence). Ms. Suttle also failed to respond to requests for information from her client for three months in late 2016 and for six months in 2017 in violation of Rule 1.4 (communication).

In another client matter, Ms. Suttle failed to timely pursue the closing of an estate after the initial filing opening the matter. Ms. Suttle took no action on the estate for more than a year, and failed to timely file an accounting in violation of Rule 1.3 (diligence). Ms. Suttle also failed to respond to requests for information from her client for eight months in violation of Rule 1.4 (communication). The client paid Ms. Suttle a \$2,300 fee for the estate matter.

Ms. Suttle is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations with the condition that she refund \$2,000 to the second client.

FOR THE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Jimmie C. Miller. Chair

Date