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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: KEVIN WILLIAM TEETS, JR., BPR #029981**  
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**MONTGOMERY COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED**

On October 24, 2024, Kevin William Teets, Jr., an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Two clients hired Mr. Teets to represent them in seeking damages from an apartment fire. The clients paid Mr. Teets a retainer from which he deducted the filing fee. The lawsuit was never filed. The same clients hired Mr. Teets to defend them in a detainer matter relating to a different apartment. Mr. Teets failed to attend multiple court settings, and a default judgment and a judgment for damages was entered against the clients. Mr. Teets failed to respond to numerous requests for information from the clients. Mr. Teets eventually refunded the filing fee in the first matter to the clients.

By these acts, Kevin William Teets, Jr., has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence), 1.4 (communication), 1.5 (fees), 1.15 (safekeeping funds), 1.16 (termination of representation), 3.2 (expediting litigation), 3.4 (fairness to opposing party), and 8.4 (prejudice to the administration of justice) and is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations.

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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