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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: KEVIN TERRY, BPR #15267
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DAVIDSON COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED

On April 16, 2010, Kevin Terry, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

In July of 2009, Mr. Terry drafted a check on his trust account, but there were insufficient funds in the trust account to cover the check and an overdraft resulted. In August and September of 2009, additional checks were presented for payment that Mr. Terry had drawn on the trust account which resulted in a larger overdraft balance. Many of these additional checks were written for personal items. Mr. Terry admitted that his personal money was in the trust account and that the trust account had not contained any client money for some time. He claimed he did not misappropriate any client money.

Kevin Terry has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 1.15 (safekeeping property) 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 DISCIPLINARY DISTRICT V OF THE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE

IN RE: KEVIN TERRY, BPR NO. 15267

Respondent, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee

(Davidson County)

FILE NO. 32364-5(N)-PS

PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaint was filed against Kevin Terry, 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 these matters at its meeting on March 12, 2010.

In July of 2009, the Respondent drafted a check on his trust account, but there were not sufficient funds in the trust account to cover the check, and an overdraft resulted. In August and September of 2009, additional checks were presented for payment that the Respondent had drawn on the trust account, which resulted in a larger overdraft balance. The Respondent admitted that his personal money was in his trust account. A review of the Respondent's trust account records revealed that in August and September of 2009, the Respondent wrote multiple checks on the trust account for personal items. The Respondent asserts that the trust account has not contained any client money for some time, and that he did not misappropriate any client money.

By the aforementioned facts, Kevin Terry has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 1.15 (safekeeping property) and is hereby Publicly Censured for this violation.

FOR/THE BOARD OF
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY
Roger Maness, Chair
Date