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BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

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CROSSVILLE LAWYER CENSURED

Anthony W. Turner, a Crossville attorney, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility on November 6, 2006.

In one case, the Complainant slipped and fell in a market on May 5, 1997. Mr. Turner failed to explain the matter to the extent reasonably necessary to permit the client to make informed decisions regarding the representation, in violation of DR 7-101(A)(2)(3) and Rule of Professional Conduct 1.4.

In another case, Mr. Turner was retained to represent the Complainant in his divorce and custody matter. An agreement was reached by the parties and announced in open court. A Final Decree and Parenting Plan were submitted to the court by adversary counsel. The Complainant did not sign the order because there were errors in the order which the Complainant wanted Mr. Turner to correct. When the Complainant refused to sign the agreement, Mr. Turner permitted the Final Decree to be entered by the court. Mr. Turner failed to make corrections in the Final Decree for which he failed to provide an explanation. By his failures, Mr. Turner violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1, 1.3, and 1.4.

A Public Censure is a form of public discipline which declares the conduct of the lawyer improper but does not limit the lawyer's right to practice.

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