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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: CHARLES EDGAR WALDMAN, BPR #14682
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## MEMPHIS LAWYER CENSURED

On January 15, 2020, Charles Edgar Waldman, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Waldman failed to obtain a written fee agreement signed by his client and thus should have deposited the funds into his client trust account but did not do so. Mr. Waldman was not diligent in his representation of his client or the expedition of the client's legal matter. There were large gaps of time in which Mr. Waldman could not explain or corroborate any communication he had with his client. After the client terminated Mr. Waldman's representation, Mr. Waldman failed to formally withdraw as counsel from the client's civil action.

By these acts, Charles Edgar Waldman has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence), 1.4 (communication), 3.2 (expediting litigation), 1.15 (safekeeping property), and 1.16(c) (terminating representation) 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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