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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: ALAN GEORGE WARD, BPR NO. 18949
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## BENTON COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED

On April 8, 2019, Alan George Ward, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Ward failed to timely file a Motion for New Trial for a criminal client which limited appellate review solely to sufficiency of the evidence. Mr. Ward then failed to timely file an appeal which resulted in the dismissal of his client's appeal. Mr. Ward also failed to timely file appellate briefs for the client even after being directed to do so by the court.

By these acts, Alan George Ward, has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence), 3.2 (expediting litigation), 3.4(c) (disobeying obligation under rules of a tribunal), and 8.4(a)(d) (misconduct), 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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