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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: CHRISTOPHER P. WESTMORELAND, BPR #024789**  
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October 18, 2023

**BEDFORD COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED**

On October 18, 2023, Christopher P. Westmoreland, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Westmoreland was hired to probate two estates for the mother and father of his client. Mr. Westmoreland agreed to represent the client on both matters for a 7% contingency fee of the value of the assets in the estates, but his fee was not agreed to in a writing signed by his client. Respondent's fee was otherwise reasonable and earned in the matters.

By these acts, Christopher Paul Westmoreland has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 1.5 (fees) and is hereby Publicly Censured for this violation with the condition that he attend the Board's Trust Account Workshop.

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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