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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: EDWARD KENDALL WHITE, BPR #032725
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DAVIDSON COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED

On April 13, 2023, Edward Kendall White, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

In one client matter, Mr. White represented three indigent criminal defendants for whom he needed the services of an expert witness. Mr. White called the Administrative Office of the Court about approval for the cost of the expert, but he did not submit a motion for approval of the costs to the director in writing as set forth in Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 13, Section 5(e). The expert witness completed her work which was favorable for Mr. White's clients. The expert submitted her invoice for payment, but it was denied by the Administrative Office of the Court because of Mr. White's failure to comply with the procedure.

In another client matter, Mr. White represented a criminal defendant on appeal, and he failed to timely file the transcript or statement of evidence as required by the Tennessee Rules of Appellate Procedure. Mr. White later withdrew from the representation prior to submission of the transcript or statement of the evidence.

By these acts, Edward Kendall White has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1 (competence), 1.3 (diligence), 3.4 (fairness to opposing party and court), and 8.4(d) (prejudice to the administration of justice) 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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