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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: JOHN M. WOLFE, JR., BPR #10319
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HAMILTON COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED

On October 22, 2012, John M. Wolfe, Jr., an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Supreme Court of Tennessee.

Mr. Wolfe settled a civil lawsuit without the client's permission in exchange for the defendant paying the court costs. Mr. Wolfe then paid the client \$500 which he told the client was a payment from the defendant. Mr. Wolfe entered an agreed order of dismissal and failed to provide a copy of it to the client for over a year and never otherwise informed the client the case had been settled.

By the above acts, John M. Wolfe, Jr. has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.2 (scope of representation), 1.4 (communication) and 8.4 (misconduct).

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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