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

On April 13, 2012, John McConnell Wolfe, Jr., an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Wolfe was hired to represent a client in a personal injury action against a Veterans' Administration Hospital. He untimely mailed the federal notice of claim and untimely filed a lawsuit after the claim was denied. The lawsuit was dismissed because of the failure to comply with the statutory deadlines. Wolfe failed to notify his client that the notice of claim was denied and that the lawsuit was dismissed. He failed to return numerous messages and failed to appear for scheduled appointments with his client.

By the aforementioned acts, John McConnell Wolfe, Jr., has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence), 1.4 (communication), 3.2 (expediting litigation), 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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