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MEMPHIS LAWYER PUBLICLY CENSURED

Mark L. Pittman, of Memphis, was publicly censured by the Board of Professional Responsibility on November 25, 2002. The censure was issued by the Board pursuant to Rule 9, Section 8 of the Rules of the Tennessee Supreme Court. Pittman did not request a hearing on the matter.

In two complaints filed against Pittman, the Board found that he grossly neglected two clients' legal matters and that he had been persistently dilatory in meeting his commitments to clients, to Disciplinary Counsel, and to the Courts before which he practiced. The Board also found that Pittman had engaged in a pattern of falsifying the status of his clients' matters in an attempt to hide his neglect, his failure to move with reasonable promptness and his failure to properly communicate with his clients.

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