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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: CARL ALLEN ROBERTS, JR., 033509**  
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July 21, 2025

**CARTER COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED**

On July 21, 2025, Carl Allen Roberts, 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. Roberts represented a client in a divorce which was completed. Mr. Roberts informed the client in writing that he would file a petition for contempt against the opposing party. Mr. Roberts then failed to respond to eight communications from the client. In another matter, Mr. Roberts received a cash retainer from a client, and he took the cash to his home for 39 days before returning it to the firm's trust account. In another matter, Mr. Roberts failed to appear at a scheduled mediation without notice to his client, the mediator, or the opposing counsel.

By the aforementioned acts, Carl Allen Roberts, Jr. has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence), 1.4 (communication), 1.15 (safekeeping funds), 1.16 (termination of representation), 3.2 (expediting litigation), and 8.4(dg) (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.