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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: WILLIAM ALAN ALDER, BPR #23214
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December 30, 2013

DAVIDSON COUNTY ATTORNEY DISBARRED

On December 26, 2013, William Alan Alder of Nashville, Tennessee was disbarred by Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court. He must pay the Board of Professional Responsibility's costs in this matter.

In handling a personal injury suit, Mr. Alder failed to obtain service of process on the defendants resulting in the suit being dismissed with prejudice. Mr. Alder failed to inform his clients that the case had been dismissed. Instead, he misled them to believe that the lawsuit was progressing normally and eventually told them the lawsuit had settled, providing them a fictitious release.

His actions violate the following Rules of Professional Conduct: 1.1, Competence; 1.3, Diligence; 1.4, Communication; 1.16, Declining or Terminating Representation; 3.2, Expediting Litigation; 8.1(b), Bar Admission and Disciplinary Matters; and 8.4(a) and (c), Misconduct.

Mr. Alder must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 18 and 19 should he seek reinstatement of his Tennessee law license and he may not resume practice until reinstated by further order of this Court.

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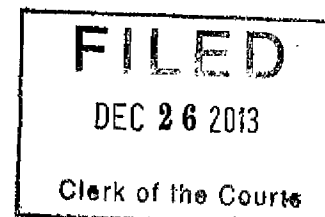
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: WILLIAM ALAN ALDER, BPR #23214
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Davidson County)

NO. M2013-02785-SC-BAR-BP
BOPR Docket 2013-2231-5-WM



ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed against William Alan Alder on June 25, 2013; upon the Order for Default Judgment entered on August 14, 2013; upon the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Judgment of the Hearing Panel entered on October 9, 2013; upon service of the Judgment upon Mr. Alder by the Executive Secretary of the Board on October 9, 2013; upon consideration and approval by the Board on December 6, 2013; upon expiration of the appeal period with no appeal taken; and upon the entire record in this cause.

From all of which the Court approves the Judgment of the Hearing Panel and adopts the Hearing Panel's Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Judgment as the Court's Order.

It is, therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that:

1. The Respondent, William Alan Alder, is disbarred from the practice of law pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.1.
2. Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9 § 18.5, this Order shall be effective ten (10) days after the date of entry.
3. The Respondent, William Alan Alder, shall comply in all aspects with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, §§ 18 and 19 regarding the obligations and responsibilities of disbarred attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement.

4. Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9 § 24.3, Mr. Alder shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$664.57 and shall pay to the Clerk of this Court the costs incurred herein, within ninety (90) days of the entry of this Order, for all of which execution may issue if necessary.

5. The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this discipline to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9 § 18.10.

FOR THE COURT:

Cornelia A. Clark
CORNELIA A. CLARK, JUSTICE