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SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE**

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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: JAMES MARION ALLEN, BPR #15968
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BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY
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August 11, 2015

SHELBY COUNTY LAWYER SUSPENDED

On August 6, 2015, James Marion Allen, of Memphis, Tennessee, was suspended from the practice of law by Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court for six (6) months. The order was effective upon entry. Mr. Allen must pay the Board's costs and expenses and the court costs within ninety days of the entry of the Order of Enforcement.

The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Petition for Discipline against Mr. Allen based upon one complaint of misconduct alleging Mr. Allen engaged in the unauthorized practice of law after the suspension of his law license on July 14, 2008, for failure to pay registration fees. Mr. Allen entered into a Conditional Guilty Plea admitting to the misconduct.

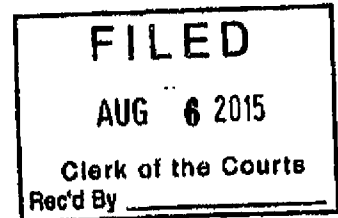
Mr. Allen's actions violated Rules of Professional Conduct 5.5, (unauthorized practice of law).

Mr. Allen must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 28 and 30, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: JAMES MARION ALLEN, BPR #15968
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Shelby County)

No. M2015-01437-SC-BAR-BP
BOPR No. 2014-2398-9-AW



ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed against James Marion Allen on November 19, 2014; upon Respondent's Answer to Petition for Discipline filed by Mr. Allen on December 22, 2014; upon entry of a Conditional Guilty Plea filed by Mr. Allen on June 18, 2015; upon an Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea entered on July 2, 2015; upon consideration and approval by the Board on July 9, 2015; and upon the entire record in this cause.

From all of which the Court approves the Order of the Hearing Panel and adopts the Hearing Panel's Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea as the Court's Order.

IT IS, THEREFORE CONSIDERED, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED BY THE COURT THAT:

- (1) James Marion Allen is suspended for six (6) months pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.2 (2014).
- (2) Additionally, Mr. Allen shall comply in all aspects with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, §§ 28 and 30.4 (2014) regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement. Prior to seeking reinstatement, Mr. Allen must meet all CLE requirements, satisfy all outstanding court costs in this matter and pay any outstanding registration fees including those due from the date of suspension/disbarment until the date of reinstatement.
- (3) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.1 (2014), this Order shall be effective upon entry.

(4) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 31.3(d) (2014), Mr. Allen shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$682.67 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. § 28.11 (2014).

PER CURIAM