## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE AT NASHVILLE

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IN RE SHERMAN AMES, III., BPR #007163 An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee (Bradley County)

> **No. M2011-00180-SC-BPR-BP** BOPR No. 2009-1868-3-KH

## ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed November 30, 2009 by the Board of Professional Responsibility ("Board") against Sherman Ames, III.; upon Answer to the Petition for Discipline filed by Mr. Ames on December 12, 2009; upon a hearing before the Hearing Panel held on November 29, 2011; upon Judgment of the Hearing Panel entered on December 14, 2011; upon service of the Judgment on Mr. Ames sent by the Board on December 14, 2011; upon consideration and approval by the Board on January 11, 2012; upon agreement by the parties that they will not seek appeal; and upon the entire record in this cause

From all of which the Court approves the findings and conclusions of the Hearing Panel and adopts the Judgment of the Hearing Panel as the Court's Order.

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

- 1. Sherman Ames, III., is hereby suspended from the practice of law for six (6) months pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.2. Further, the twenty-one (21) day period of time from the termination of his disability inactive status on November 8, 2011 until the hearing date on November 29, 2011 shall be credited toward the six (6) month suspension period.
- 2. The suspension shall become effective ten (10) days after the filing of this Order.
- 3. Mr. Ames shall comply in all aspects with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18 regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys.

- 4. Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 24.3, Mr. Ames shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$3,067.15 and, in addition, 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 shall cause notice of this suspension to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18.10.

FOR THE COURT:

WILLIAM C. KOCH, JR., JUSTICE