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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: WILLIAM CLARK BARNES, JR., BPR #011399
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MAURY COUNTY LAWYER REINSTATED

On January 25, 2019, the Supreme Court of Tennessee reinstated William Clark Barnes, Jr., to the practice of law effective immediately. Mr. Barnes had been suspended by the Supreme Court of Tennessee for three years on March 31, 2015, with six months active suspension and the remainder on probation with conditions. Mr. Barnes filed a Petition for Reinstatement to the practice of law pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 30.4.

A Hearing Panel found that Mr. Barnes complied with the terms and conditions of his suspension, and further found that he had demonstrated the moral qualifications, competency and learning in the law required for the practice of law, and that his resumption of the practice of law will not be detrimental to the integrity or standing of the bar or administration of justice, or subversive to the public interest. Based upon the Hearing Panel's recommendation, the Supreme Court reinstated Mr. Barnes's license to practice law. As conditions of his reinstatement, Mr. Barnes must have a practice monitor for one year, and enter into a new, two-year Tennessee Lawyers Assistance Program monitoring agreement. Mr. Barnes must pay the costs of the reinstatement proceeding.

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IN RE: WILLIAM CLARK BARNES, JR., BPR #011399
(Maury County)

No. M2015-00508-SC-BAR-BP
BOPR No. 2018-2920-6-WM-30.4d

ORDER OF REINSTATEMENT

This matter is before the Court, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 30.4(d), upon a Petition for Reinstatement filed on October 1, 2018, by the Petitioner, William Clark Barnes, Jr. Mr. Barnes was suspended from the practice of law by Order of this Court on March 31, 2015. On December 18, 2018, the Hearing Panel Report and Recommendation was entered. On January 2, 2019, an Agreed Amended Hearing Panel Report and Recommendation was entered. The Hearing Panel Report and Recommendation and Agreed Amended Hearing Panel Report and Recommendation were considered and approved by the Board on January 4, 2019.

From all of which the Court approves the Hearing Panel Report and Recommendation and the Agreed Amended Hearing Panel Report and Recommendation and adopts the same as this Court's Order.

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

1. The Petitioner, William Clark Barnes, Jr., is hereby reinstated to the practice of law in the State of Tennessee pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 30.4(d), subject to the following conditions:

- a. On or before February 19, 2019, Mr. Barnes shall enter into a two-year mandatory monitoring agreement with the Tennessee Lawyers Assistance Program naming the Board as a reporting agency.
- b. Mr. Barnes, at his cost, shall engage the services of a Practice Monitor for one year who shall be selected and approved in accordance with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.9(c). The Practice Monitor shall meet with Mr. Barnes monthly and assess Mr. Barnes's office management procedures

and adequacy of communication with clients and provide a monthly written report of Mr. Barnes's progress to Disciplinary Counsel.

2. Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 24.3, Mr. Barnes shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$646.00, 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.

3. The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this reinstatement to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.11.

PER CURIAM