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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: JASON WADE BARNETTE, BPR #026960**  
**CONTACT: ALAN D. JOHNSON**  
**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**  
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April 1, 2021

**DAVIDSON COUNTY LAWYER DISBARRED**

Effective April 1, 2021 the Tennessee Supreme Court permanently disbarred Jason Wade Barnette from the practice of law. Mr. Barnette consented to permanent disbarment because he could not successfully defend the charges alleged in Petitions for Discipline and complaints filed against him with the Board.

Mr. Barnette represented eight clients in collection disputes and employment matters. His misconduct included failing to communicate with his clients and inform them that he had been suspended from the practice of law, allowing default judgments to be entered against clients, engaging in the unauthorized practice of law, posting misleading information on his web page suggesting he was authorized to practice law in another state, and failing to disburse settlement funds to his client.

Mr. Barnette's ethical misconduct violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence), 1.4 (communication), 1.5 (fees), 1.15 (safekeeping property), 1.16 (terminating representation), 5.5 (unauthorized practice of law), 7.1 (communications concerning a lawyer's services), 8.1 (disciplinary matters), and 8.4(a), (d) and (g) (misconduct).

Pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Mr. Barnette is not eligible for reinstatement to the practice of law in this state, and the affidavit of Mr. Barnette consenting to disbarment shall be maintained under seal.

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

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AT NASHVILLE

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**IN RE: JASON WADE BARNETTE, BPR #026960**

An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee  
(Davidson County)

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**No. M2021-00334-SC-BAR-BP**  
BOPR No. 2018-2933-5-AJ  
FILE NOS. 64791-5-DB; 65883-5-DB

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**ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT**

This cause is before the Court upon a Notice of Submission filed by the Board of Professional Responsibility providing notice pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 23 of the affidavit of Jason Wade Barnette, consenting to permanent disbarment. Mr. Barnette is an attorney licensed to practice law in the state of Tennessee and is subject to the disciplinary jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of Tennessee pursuant to Rule 9 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Tennessee.

Mr. Barnette has delivered to the Board of Professional Responsibility an affidavit in compliance with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 23.1. Mr. Barnette has consented to permanent disbarment because he cannot successfully defend himself against charges alleged in Board Petition No. 2018-2933-5-AJ, Board File No. 64791-5-DB and Board File No. 65883-5-DB.

IT IS, THEREFORE, CONSIDERED, ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED by the Court that:

- (1) Jason Wade Barnette is permanently disbarred from the practice of law in Tennessee.
- (2) This Order of Enforcement shall be a matter of public record.
- (3) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 23.3, the affidavit filed by Jason Wade Barnette shall not be publicly disclosed or made available for use in any other proceeding except upon further Order of this Court.
- (4) The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this disbarment to be published in accordance with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.11.

(5) Mr. Barnette shall pay to the Clerk of this Court the costs incurred herein, for all of which execution may issue if necessary.

(6) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.1, this Order shall be effective upon entry.

PER CURIAM