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March 24, 2011

KNOXVILLE LAWYER SUSPENDED

On March 22, 2011, the Tennessee Supreme Court suspended the law license of Richard R. Baumgartner, pursuant to Section 14 of the Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9. The Court suspended Mr. Baumgartner's law license based upon Mr. Baumgartner's plea of guilty to a serious crime, i.e., official misconduct.

The Supreme Court further ordered the Board of Professional Responsibility to institute a formal proceeding to determine the extent of final discipline to be imposed as a result of the conviction. Mr. Baumgartner was ordered to fully comply with the provisions of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 18, which requires, in part, a prohibition from undertaking any new representation.

This suspension shall remain in effect until it is dissolved or amended by order of the Supreme Court of Tennessee.

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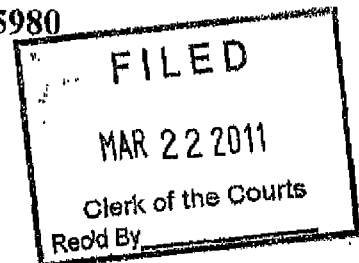
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

RICHARD R. BAUMGARTNER, BPR#005980

An Attorney Licensed in Tennessee
(Knox County)



BOPR DOCKET NO. 2011-20242-SG(14)

NO. M2011-00643-SC-BPD-RP

ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court pursuant to Section 14 of Rule 9, Rules of the Supreme Court of Tennessee, upon a certificate filed by Disciplinary Counsel for the Board of Professional Responsibility consisting of certified copies of the Information, Waiver of Trial by Jury and Request for Acceptance of Plea of Guilty and Waiver of Trial by Jury and Acceptance of Plea of Guilty Order in a Criminal Case, State of Tennessee v. Baumgartner, (attached as Collective Exhibit A) filed in the Criminal Court for Knox County, Tennessee on March 10, 2011, demonstrating that Richard R. Baumgartner, a Tennessee attorney, has pled guilty to a serious crime, i.e., official misconduct.

It is therefore, **ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED** by the Court that:

1. Richard R. Baumgartner is suspended from the practice of law on this date pending further orders of this Court, pursuant to Section 14 of Rule 9 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Tennessee;
2. This matter shall be referred to the Board of Professional Responsibility for the institution of a formal proceeding in which the sole issue to be determined shall be the extent of the final discipline to be imposed as a result of the conviction by the Guilty Plea;
3. Richard R. Baumgartner shall fully comply with the provisions of Section 18 of Rule 9, Rules of the Supreme Court, concerning disbarred or suspended attorneys; and
4. The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this suspension to be published as required by Supreme Court Rule 9.

FOR THE COURT:

Cornelia A. Clark

CORNELIA A. CLARK
CHIEF JUSTICE

I, Michael W. Catalano, Clerk, hereby certify that
this is a true and exact copy of the original

filed in the cause:

This 22 day of Mar, 2011

CLERK OF COURT

By: [Signature] D.C.

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AT NASHVILLE

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RICHARD R. BAUMGARTNER, BPR#005980 COURT CLERK
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NO. M2011-00643-SC-BPO-BP

AMENDED ORDER

This matter is before the Court pursuant to Section 14 of Rule 9, Rules of the Supreme Court of Tennessee, upon a certificate filed by Disciplinary Counsel for the Board of Professional Responsibility consisting of certified copies of the Information, Waiver of Trial by Jury and Request for Acceptance of Plea of Guilty and Waiver of Trial by Jury and Acceptance of Plea of Guilty Order in a Criminal Case, State of Tennessee v. Baumgartner, (attached as Collective Exhibit A) filed in the Criminal Court for Knox County, Tennessee on March 10, 2011, demonstrating that Richard R. Baumgartner, a Tennessee attorney, has pled guilty to a serious crime, i.e., official misconduct.

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FOR THE COURT:

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CORNELIA A. CLARK
CHIEF JUSTICE

I, Michael W. Catalano, Clerk, hereby certify that
this is a true and exact copy of the original

Filed in the court

This 28 day of March, 2011

By: Michael W. Catalano
CLERK OF COURT