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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: JOSEPH SCOTT BEAN, JR., BPR #22018
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BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY
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January 7, 2016

FRANKLIN COUNTY LAWYER SUSPENDED

On January 7, 2016, the Tennessee Supreme Court suspended Joseph Scott Bean, Jr., from the practice of law for four years, retroactive to July 3, 2014, pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 12.2. Mr. Bean was summarily suspended on July 3, 2014, pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 22.3, based upon his guilty plea to a serious crime; i.e., theft in an amount over \$10,000.00.

The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a final petition for discipline against Mr. Bean and he entered a guilty plea that acknowledged violation of Tennessee Rules of Professional Conduct 8.4(a) (b) (c) (d) (misconduct).

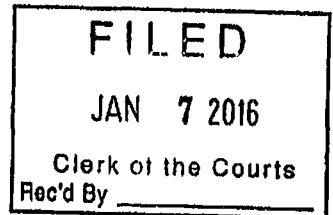
Mr. Bean must comply with Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 28 regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: JOSEPH SCOTT BEAN, JR., BPR #022018
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Franklin County)

No. M2014-01260-SC-BAR-BP
BOPR No. 2014-2333-4-AJ (22.3)



ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon Petition for Final Discipline filed against Joseph Scott Bean, Jr., on July 17, 2014; upon entry of a Conditional Guilty Plea filed by Mr. Bean on October 7, 2015; upon an Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea entered on October 20, 2015; upon consideration and approval by the Board on December 11, 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.

On August 21, 2012, Mr. Bean was suspended from the practice of law for non-compliance with Continuing Legal Education requirements. On September 29, 2014, Mr. Bean was suspended from the practice of law for failing to pay the professional privilege tax. To date, Mr. Bean has not requested, nor been granted reinstatement.

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

- (1) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.2, Joseph Scott Bean, Jr., is suspended from the practice of law for four (4) years, retroactive to July 3, 2014.
- (2) Mr. Bean shall comply in all aspects with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28, and Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 30.4 regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement.
- (3) Prior to seeking reinstatement, Mr. Bean must meet all CLE requirements and pay any outstanding registration fees including those due from the date of suspension to reinstatement.

(4) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.1 (2014), this Order shall be effective immediately.

(5) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 31.3(d) (2014), Mr. Bean shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$190.00 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.

(6) The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this discipline to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.11 (2014).

PER CURIAM