IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE AT NASHVILLE

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Clerk of the Courts

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BOPR NO. <u>2003-1379-6-SG</u> NO. <u>M2002-02833-5C-BPZ-B</u>F

ORDER OF DISBARMENT

In this cause, the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Supreme Court of Tennessee, by and through Disciplinary Counsel, filed a Petition for Discipline against the Respondent, Robert D. Benson.

On January 2, 2004, the Hearing Panel issued its Judgment recommending the Respondent be disbarred and make restitution to complainants with judgments or valid claims. A copy of the Hearing Panel's Judgment is attached hereto as Exhibit A. The Respondent did not appeal the Hearing Panel's Judgment and the time to appeal has now expired.

It is therefore **ORDERED**, **ADJUDGED** and **DECREED** by the Court that the Respondent, Robert D. Benson, be **disbarred**.

It is further **ORDERED**, **ADJUDGED** and **DECREED** by the Court that Robert D. Benson shall pay the costs of these proceedings in the amount of \$\(\frac{2,136.91}{2,136.91}\), for which execution may issue if necessary. The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this disbarment to be published pursuant to Section 18 of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9.

ENTERED this 15 day of March, 2004.

FOR THE COURT:

Adolpho A. Birch, Jr., Justice

ORDER OF DISBARMENT Robert D. Benson, Respondent, BPR #97 BPR Docket No. 2003-1379-6-SG

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