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SUMNER COUNTY ATTORNEY DISBARRED

On July 12, 2012, John Pierce Brownlee, Jr., was disbarred by Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court pursuant to Rule 9, Section 4.1, of the Rules of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Brownlee was convicted of conspiracy to defraud the United States and corrupt endeavor to interfere with administration of Internal Revenue Laws. Mr. Brownlee's actions violate Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 8, Section 8.4 (misconduct).

Mr. Brownlee was further ordered to pay the expenses and costs of the disciplinary proceedings against him pursuant to Rule 9, Section 24.3, of the Rules of the Supreme Court, and fully comply in all respects with the requirements and obligations of disbarred attorneys as set forth in Rule 9, Section 18.1, of the Rules of the Supreme Court.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE AT NASHVILLE

IN RE JOHN PIERCE BROWNLEE, JR., BPR # 018343

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

No. M2012-01396-SC-BPR-BP BOPR No. 2008-1787-6-SG(14)



ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Final Discipline filed on January 7, 2009 by the Board of Professional Responsibility ("Board") against John Pierce Brownlee, Jr., in Docket No. 2008-1787-6-SG(14); upon Mr. Brownlee's Answer filed January 28, 2009; upon the Judgment of the Hearing Panel filed May 17, 2012; upon the Board's approval of the Judgment on June 22, 2012; and upon the entire record in this cause.

From all of which the Court approves the Judgment of the Hearing Panel and adopts the Judgment of the Hearing Panel as the Court's Order.

It is, therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that:

- 1. John Pierce Brownlee, Jr. is disbarred:
- 2. Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18.5, the disbarment shall become effective ten (10) days after the filing of this Order.
- 3. Mr. Brownlee shall comply in all aspects with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18 and 19 regarding the obligations and responsibilities of disbarred attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement.
- 4. Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 24.3, Mr. Brownlee shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$391.49 and, in addition, shall pay to the Clerk of this Court the costs ordered

herein, within ninety (90) days of the entry of this Order, for all of which execution may issue if necessary.

5. The Board shall cause notice of this discipline to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18.10.

FOR THE COURT:

WILLIAM C. KOCH, JR., JUSTICE