## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE AT NASHVILLE

## IN RE: PATRICIA DONICE BUTLER, BPR #22706

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

No. M2015-02406-SC-BAR-BP BOPR No. 2014-2391-2-KH JAN 7 2016 Clerk of the Courts Rec'd By

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## ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed against Patricia Donice Butler, on November 14, 2014; upon Motion for Default Judgment and That Charges in Petition for Discipline be Deemed Admitted filed on April 6, 2015; upon a Supplemental Petition for Discipline filed on April 16, 2015; upon Order for Default Judgment entered on May 21, 2015; upon Motion for Default Judgment and That Charges in Supplemental Petition for Discipline be Deemed Admitted filed on May 29, 2015; upon Renewed Motion for Default Judgment and that the Allegations Contained in the Supplemental Petition for Discipline be Deemed Admitted filed on July 2, 2015; upon Order for Default Judgment entered on July 10, 2015; upon Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Judgment of the Hearing Panel entered on August 28, 2015; upon service of the Judgment of the Hearing Panel on Ms. Butler by the Executive Secretary of the Board on August 28, 2015; upon the Board of Professional Responsibility's Application for Assessment of Costs filed on September 2, 2015; upon Judgment on the Board of Professional Responsibility's Application for Assessment of Costs entered on September 30, 2015; upon service of the Judgment on the Board of Professional Responsibility's Application for Assessment of Costs on Ms. Butler by the Executive Secretary of the Board on September 30, 2015; upon consideration and approval by the Board on October 7, 2015; upon expiration of the appeal period with no appeal taken; 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 Judgment as the Court's Order.

On July 28, 2014, Ms. Butler was suspended from the practice of law for nine (9) months, with three months to be served as active suspension, for disciplinary misconduct. (Case No. M2014-01312-SC-BAR-BP) On March 13, 2015, Ms. Butler was temporarily suspended by this Court from the practice of law for failing to respond to the Board of

Professional Responsibility concerning a complaint of misconduct. (Case No. M2015-00452-SC-BAR-BP) To date, Ms. Butler has not been reinstated from these suspensions.

- IT IS, THEREFORE, CONSIDERED, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED BY THE COURT THAT:
- (1) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.1 (2014), Patricia Donice Butler is disbarred from the practice of law.
- (2) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.7 (2014), and as a condition precedent to any reinstatement, Ms. Butler shall make restitution to the following individuals and shall furnish to the Board of Professional Responsibility proof of restitution. In the event restitution is made by the Tennessee Lawyer's Fund for Client Protection (TLFCP), Ms. Butler shall reimburse TLFCP in the same amount:
  - (a) Linda Marcum \$130.00
  - (b) Brian Ours \$787.50
  - (c) Anita Barrow \$4,400.00
- (3) Ms. Butler 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 disbarred attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement.
- (4) Prior to seeking reinstatement, Ms. Butler must meet all CLE requirements and pay any outstanding registration fees including those due from the date of disbarment to reinstatement.
- (5) Further, the Order of Temporary Suspension entered on March 13, 2015, in Case No. M2015-00452-SC-BAR-BP is hereby dissolved.
- (6) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.1 (2014), this Order shall be effective immediately.
- (7) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 31.3(d) (2014), Ms. Butler shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$1,282.45 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.

(8) 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