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# IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE AT NASHVILLE

## IN RE: SHANNON LEIGH CLARK, NO. 18218 AN ATTORNEY LICENSED TO PRACTICE LAW IN TENNESSEE (HAMILTON COUNTY)

BOPR No. 2004-1461-3-JV(14) No. M2004-02265-5C-15PO-BP

#### ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

On July 19, 2005, the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Supreme Court of Tennessee, filed a Petition for Final Discipline against the Respondent, Shannon Leigh Clark, a Chattanooga, Tennessee, attorney. The Respondent had previously been summarily suspended from the practice of law by Order of this Court entered September 17, 2004, pursuant to Section 14 of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, after entering a plea of guilty to a serious crime, bankruptcy fraud, in the U.S. District Court of the Eastern District of Tennessee.

Pursuant to Section 16.1 of Supreme Court Rule 9, the Respondent submitted a Conditional Plea of Guilty filed May 31, 2007, to resolve the Petition for Final Discipline in exchange for a stated form of discipline, same being suspension from the practice of law for 5 years, effective September 17, 2004, the date on which the Respondent was summarily suspended from the practice of law. A copy of the Conditional Plea of Guilty is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. The Conditional Plea of Guilty was approved by the Hearing Panel's Order Approving Conditional Guilty Plea filed June 22, 2007, and by the Board of Professional Responsibility.

The Respondent admitted her guilt of violating the Rules 8.4(a)(b)(c)(d) of the Tennessee Rules of Professional Conduct.

It is, therefore, **ORDERED**, **ADJUDGED** and **DECREED**, that Respondent, Shannon Leigh Clark, is suspended from the practice of law for 5 years effective September 17, 2004, the date on which Respondent was summarily suspended from the practice of law.

It is further **ORDERED**, **ADJUDGED** and **DECREED**, pursuant to Section 24.3 of Rule 9 of this Court, that Shannon Leigh Clark, shall reimburse and pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the costs and expenses of this proceeding in the amount of \$3,083.95, and, in addition, shall pay to the Clerk of this Court the costs incurred herein, for all of which execution shall issue, if necessary. Pursuant to Section 24.3 of Supreme Court Rule 9, payment of costs assessed to the Respondent, Shannon Leigh Clark, shall be a condition precedent to any reinstatement of the Respondent to the practice of law.

The Respondent, Shannon Leigh Clark, shall comply with Section 18 of Supreme Court Rule 9. Pursuant to Section 18.9 of Supreme Court Rule 9, proof of compliance with Section 18 of Supreme Court Rule 9 shall be condition precedent to any petition for reinstatement.

The Board of Professional Responsibility is directed to make notification of this suspension as provided in Section 18.10 of Supreme Court Rule 9.

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FOR THE COURT:

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APPROVED FOR ENTRY:

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

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### LAWYER SUSPENDED BY SUPREME COURT

By Order of the Supreme Court of Tennessee filed November 27, 2007, Shannon Leigh Clark, was suspended from the practice of law for five years effective September 17, 2004. Ms. Clark had previously been summarily suspended from the practice of law by Order of the Supreme Court entered September 17, 2004, pursuant to Section 14 of Rule 9 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Tennessee, pending further orders of the Court. Ms. Clark's suspension resulted from her plea of guilty in the United Stated District Court for the Eastern District of Tennessee at Chattanooga on September 2, 2004, to one count of bankruptcy fraud, 18 U.S.C. § 157. The Court ordered that a formal disciplinary proceeding be instituted in which the sole issue to be determined will be the extent of final discipline. A Petition for Final Discipline was filed in the disciplinary proceeding. Mrs. Clark entered a Conditional Plea of Guilty in the disciplinary proceeding for a stated form of discipline. Mrs. Clark can only be reinstated to the practice of law by order of the Supreme Court, after filing a petition for reinstatement and proving the requirements of Section 19 of the Supreme Court Rule 9.

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