

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

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IN RE: THOMAS EWING COWAN, JR., BPR #2026

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

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NASHVILLE

NO. M2011-00345-SC-BPO-BP

BOPR Nos. 2004-1439-1-TH, 2006-1571-1-TH, & 2008-1776-1-KH

ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed on April 23, 2004 by the Board of Professional Responsibility ("Board") against Thomas Ewing Cowan, Jr., ("Respondent") in Docket No. 2004-1439-1-TH; upon Respondent's Answer to the Petition for Discipline filed on May 24, 2004; upon a Supplemental Petition for Discipline filed on October 13, 2004; upon Respondent's Answer to the Supplemental Petition filed on December 6, 2004; upon two (2) subsequent Supplemental Petitions for Discipline filed on June 7, 2005 and October 31, 2006; upon Petition for Discipline filed on January 9, 2006 in Docket No. 2006-1571-1-TH; upon Petition for Discipline filed on September 8, 2008 and Supplemental Petition for Discipline filed on October 6, 2008 in Docket No. 2008-1776-1-KH; upon Orders of the Hearing Panel consolidating all of the petitions; upon a final hearing held April 20th and 21st, 2009; upon the Judgment of the Hearing Panel entered on July 1, 2009; upon the Board's consideration of this matter on July 12, 2009; 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.

By Order entered March 1, 2010, in Case No. M2010-00457-SC-BPO-BP, Respondent was suspended from the practice of law pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 14. To date, Respondent has not been granted reinstatement. Further, he is currently suspended for failure to comply with continuing legal education requirements.

It is therefore, **ORDERED, ADJUDGED** and **DECREED** by the Court that:

1. Respondent, Thomas Ewing Cowan, Jr., is hereby suspended from the practice of law for three (3) years pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 4.2.

2. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 4.7, Respondent shall pay restitution to Herman Geidel in the amount of \$1,500.00. Payment of restitution shall be a condition precedent to reinstatement.

3. The suspension shall become effective ten (10) days after the filing of this Order.

4. Respondent shall comply in all aspects with Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 18 and 19 regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement. Respondent must demonstrate compliance with continuing legal education requirements prior to reinstatement.

5. By Order entered March 1, 2010, in Case No. M2010-00457-SC-BPO-BP, Respondent was suspended from the practice of law pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 14. To date, Respondent has not been granted reinstatement. The entry of this Order does not affect the continuing validity of the prior disciplinary suspension.

6. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 24.3, the Respondent shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$19,616.99 and in addition, 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.

7. The Board shall cause notice of this discipline to be published as required by Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 18.10.

FOR THE COURT:

Cornelia A. Clark
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CHIEF JUSTICE