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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: KYLE ERIC CROWE, BPR #11458
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WEAKLEY COUNTY LAWYER SUSPENDED

August 1, 2012, the Tennessee Supreme Court suspended the law license of Kyle Eric Crowe, a Weakley County attorney, for a period of three years, with no active period of suspension and all time served on probation subject to a series of conditions, including: restitution to his trust account and distribution to appropriate clients, prohibition against engaging in solo practice or having access to client funds, and an extension of his Tennessee Lawyer's Assistance Program Monitoring Agreement for a total of five years.

Should Mr. Crowe fail to comply with the terms of his probation, then his probation will be revoked and Mr. Crowe will serve his three-year suspension.

The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Petition for Discipline against Mr. Crowe pursuant to Rule 9, Section 8.2. A hearing panel found Mr. Crowe and his non-attorney spouse misappropriated funds from his trust accounts and Mr. Crowe failed to reconcile and properly disburse trust funds. Mr. Crowe's actions violated the following Rules of Professional Conduct: 1.15 (safekeeping funds); 5.3 (responsibilities regarding non-lawyer assets); 8.1 (disciplinary matters); 1.5 (fees); and 8.4 (misconduct).

Mr. Crowe was ordered to pay the expenses and costs of the disciplinary proceedings against him pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 24.3 and fully comply in all respects with the requirements and obligations of suspended attorneys as set forth in Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 18.

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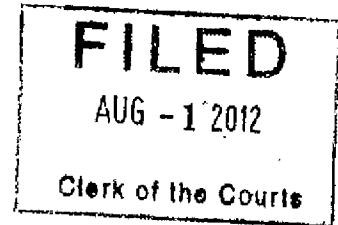
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

KYLE ERIC CROWE, BPR #011458

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

No. M2012-01524-SC-BPR-BP
BOPR Docket No. 2011-2030-8-SG



ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed against Kyle Eric Crowe on April 4, 2011; Mr. Crowe's Answer to Petition for Discipline filed April 25, 2011; the Hearing Panel's Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law entered November 30, 2011; the Board's Motion to Alter or Amend Disciplinary Hearing Panel's Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law filed December 6, 2011; Mr. Crowe's Reply to Disciplinary Counsel's Motion to Alter or Amend Judgment Tenn. R. Civ. P. 59, filed December 20, 2011; and the Hearing Panel's Amended Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law entered May 22, 2012.

From all of which the Court approves the Amended Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law of the Hearing Panel and adopts the Amended Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as the Court's Order.

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

1. Kyle Eric Crowe is suspended from the practice of law for three years, with all time suspended and served on probation subject to the terms outlined in Hearing Panel's Amended Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as follows:

(a) Mr. Crowe's extension of his Tennessee Lawyer's Assistance Program Monitoring Agreement for an additional two (2) years, for a total of five (5) years;

(b) Mr. Crowe shall make full restitution to his trust accounts within ninety (90) days;

(c) Within ninety (90) days Mr. Crowe and Attorney, Landon S. Unger, shall ascertain to whom the funds in said trust accounts are owed and forward said funds to those persons, subject to approval of Disciplinary Counsel;

(d) Any funds remaining in the trust accounts which ownership thereof has not been ascertained at the end of said ninety (90) day period shall be disposed of by Mr. Crowe pursuant to the Unclaimed and Abandoned Property Act;

(e) Should Mr. Crowe fail to comply with the restitution provisions, then Mr. Crowe's probation shall be revoked and Mr. Crowe shall serve the balance of his suspension;

(f) Should Mr. Crowe fail to comply with the provisions of the Unclaimed and Abandoned Property Act within a reasonable period of time (otherwise no later than 180 days from the entry of this order), or should Mr. Crowe fail to keep the Disciplinary Counsel's Office fully informed, his probation shall be revoked and Mr. Crowe shall serve the balance of his suspension;

(g) Kyle Eric Crowe shall not enter into the solo practice of law and shall work only in a supervised firm setting where he will not have any control over trust accounts and/or trust funds;

(h) Mr. Crowe's spouse shall not be permitted to work in any capacity involving trust accounts associated with Mr. Crowe or any trust account with any firm employing, associating, or associated with Mr. Crowe;

(i) Kyle Eric Crowe shall pay all costs of this proceeding.

(j) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9 § 18.5, this Order shall be effective ten (10) days after the date of entry.

2. Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9 § 24.3, the Mr. Crowe shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$2,455.95 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.

3. The Board of Professional Responsibility 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