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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: JOHN LOUIS DOLAN, JR., BPR #009158
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March 25, 2022

SHELBY COUNTY LAWYER SUSPENDED

On March 24, 2022, the Tennessee Supreme Court suspended John Louis Dolan from the practice of law for one (1) year, with thirty (30) days to be served on active suspension pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 12.2 and eleven (11) months to be served on probation under the supervision of a practice monitor.

In the first of two complaints, Mr. Dolan failed to reasonably respond to his client's request for information about the status of his criminal case and failed to diligently represent his client over a period of approximately two years. In the second matter, Mr. Dolan failed to properly communicate with his client and failed to submit various pleadings. Mr. Dolan executed a Conditional Guilty Plea admitting his conduct violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3 (Diligence); 1.4 (Communication); 3.4 (Rules of the Tribunal); and 8.4 (a) (Misconduct).

Mr. Dolan must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 28 and 30.4, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement.

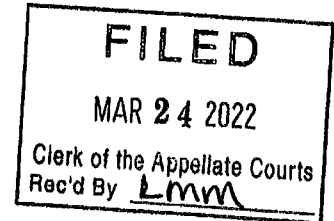
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: JOHN LOUIS DOLAN, JR., BPR #009158

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

No. M2022-00236-SC-BAR-BP
BOPR No. 2021-3168-9-DB



ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed against John Louis Dolan, Jr. on May 20, 2021; upon Answer to Petition for Discipline filed by Mr. Dolan on July 9, 2021; upon entry of a Conditional Guilty Plea filed by Mr. Dolan on January 14, 2022; upon an Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea entered on January 31, 2022; upon service of the Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea upon Mr. Dolan by the Executive Secretary of the Board on February 1, 2022; and upon the entire record in this cause.

From all of which the Court approves the Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea entered by the Hearing Panel on January 31, 2022, and adopts the Hearing Panel's Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea.

IT IS, THEREFORE, CONSIDERED, ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED BY THE COURT THAT:

(1) Mr. Dolan is suspended from the practice of law for one (1) year with thirty (30) days to be served as an active suspension, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.2, and the remaining eleven (11) months to be served on probation, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 14.1. The grant of probation is subject to the following conditions:

- (a) During the period of suspension and probation, Mr. Dolan shall incur no new complaints of misconduct that relate to conduct occurring during the period of suspension and probation and which results in the recommendation by the Board that discipline be imposed.

- (b) Mr. Dolan shall engage a practice monitor for the entire period of probation. Mr. Dolan shall provide a list of potential practice monitors for selection by the Board within thirty (30) days of signing this plea. The practice monitor shall submit monthly reports to the Board addressing the following areas: assessment of caseload, timeliness of tasks, and adequacy of communication between Mr. Dolan and his clients.
- (c) In the event Mr. Dolan fails to meet or maintain any condition of probation, the probation may be revoked pursuant to Tenn Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 14.2 (2014).

(2) Prior to seeking reinstatement, Mr. Dolan must have met all CLE requirements; have remitted all outstanding registration fees and outstanding professional privilege taxes, including those due from the date of this suspension until the date of reinstatement; and have remitted all court costs and Board costs in this matter. In addition, Mr. Dolan shall be in substantial compliance with the terms and conditions of this Order.

(3) Mr. Dolan shall comply in all aspects with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, §§ 28 and 30.4, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement.

(4) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 31.3(d), Mr. Dolan shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs incurred to date by the Board in this matter in the amount of \$1,380.00, which includes \$100.00 for the cost of filing this matter, and shall pay to the Clerk of this Court the court costs incurred herein. All costs, fees, and expenses awarded or assessed herein shall be paid within ninety (90) days of the entry of this Order for which execution, if necessary, may issue.

(5) The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this discipline to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.11.

(6) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.1, this Order shall be effective upon entry.

PER CURIAM