

## IN DISCIPLINARY DISTRICT VI OF THE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE

IN RE: MICHAEL E. GILMER,

BPR #12974, Respondent An Attorney Licensed and Admitted to the Practice of Law in Tennessee

Law in Tennessee (Maury County)

DOCKET NO. <u>2005-1546-6-SG</u>

## FINDINGS AND JUDGMENT OF THE HEARING PANEL

This cause was heard by a Hearing Panel of the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Supreme Court of Tennessee on February 14, 2006. This Hearing Panel, consisting of Jeffrey Keith Walker, Chair, William House Dale and Cynthia D. Hall Templeton, makes the following Findings of Fact and submits its Judgment as follows:

- The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Petition for Discipline against the Respondent on September 22, 2005.
- 2. The Respondent failed to respond to the Petition for Discipline.

- The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Motion for Default Judgment and that the Charges Be Deemed Admitted on October 18, 2005.
- 4. The Respondent failed to respond to the Motion for Default Judgment.
- The Hearing Panel entered an Order of Judgment by Default on December 14,
   2005.
- The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Supplemental Petition for Discipline on December 29, 2005.
- 7. The Respondent failed to respond to the Supplemental Petition for Discipline.
- 8. The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Motion for Default Judgment and
  That the Charges Be Deemed Admitted in Supplemental Petition for Discipline on
  January 25, 2006.
- 9. The Respondent failed to respond to the Motion for Default Judgment regarding the Supplemental Petition for Discipline.
- 10. The Hearing Panel entered its Order of Judgment by Default on the Supplemental Petition for Discipline on February 3, 2006.

## **JUDGMENT**

Based upon the above pleadings and after argument by Disciplinary Counsel, the Hearing Panel recommends the Respondent receive a one (1) year suspension to run concurrent with any other suspension.

The Hearing Panel further recommends that the Respondent's restitution to the Complainant Shirley Sawyer, File No. 28584c-6-SG, be determined by a court or other appropriate agency such as Lawyers Fund for Client Protection.

Jeffrey Keith Walker, Chair

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Cynthia D. Hall Templeton

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