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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: KRISTIN ALYSE GODSEY, BPR# 23076**  
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**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**  
**615-361-7500**

January 24, 2011

**KNOXVILLE ATTORNEY DISBARRED**

On January 19, 2011, the Tennessee Supreme Court disbarred Kristin Alyse Godsey, a Knoxville attorney, pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 4.1. Ms. Godsey violated disciplinary rules by practicing while suspended, submitting false fee requests to the Administrative Office of the Courts, and forging a judge's name to a document. Ms. Godsey's actions violated Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 8, Rules of Professional Conduct 3.3 (Candor Toward the Tribunal), 3.4 (Fairness to Opposing Party and Counsel), 4.1 (Truthfulness and Candor in Statements to Others), 5.5 (Unauthorized Practice of Law) and 8.4 (Misconduct).

Ms. Godsey was further ordered to pay the expenses and costs of the disciplinary proceedings against her, pursuant to Rule 9, Section 4.7, of the Rules of the Supreme Court, and fully comply in all respects with the requirements and obligations of disbarred attorneys as set forth in Rule 9, Section 18.1 of the Rules of the Supreme Court.

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**KRISTIN A. GODSEY, BPR #23076**

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

NO. M2011-00115-SC-BPO-BP

BOPR No. 2010-1942-2-RS

**ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT**

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed by Disciplinary Counsel against Respondent, Kristin A. Godsey, on July 1, 2010; upon the Order of Default Judgment with Finding of Fact filed by the Hearing Panel on September 7, 2010; upon the Hearing Panel Order of Recommendation filed on November 10, 2010; upon approval of the Board of Professional Responsibility on December 10, 2010; and upon the entire record in this cause. Respondent has not appealed the Board's action.

From all of which the Court approves the recommendation of the Hearing Panel and adopts the judgment of the Hearing Panel as the Court's Order.

An Order of Temporary Suspension (M2010-00870-SC-BPR-BP) was entered on April 22, 2010 pursuant to Section 4.3 of Supreme Court Rule 9. Respondent has not filed a petition to dissolve the temporary suspension. Further, Respondent was suspended on August 14, 2009 for failure to pay her annual registration fee and suspended for CLE noncompliance on September 7, 2010.

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

1. That the Respondent, Kristin A. Godsey, shall be disbarred pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 4.1.
2. That the Respondent's temporary suspension, ordered on April 22, 2010, is hereby dissolved.
3. That, 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 \$768.33, and in addition, shall pay to the Clerk of this Court the costs

incurred herein, within ninety (90) days from the entry of this order, for all of which execution may issue if necessary.

4. That the Respondent shall comply in all aspects with Rule 9, §18 of the Rules of the Supreme Court regarding the obligations and responsibilities of disbarred attorneys.

5. That the Board of Professional Responsibility 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  
CORNELIA A. CLARK  
CHIEF JUSTICE

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Cornelia W. Catalano, Clerk, hereby certify this  
to be a true and exact copy of the original

filed in the cause.

This 14 day of July, 20 11

CLERK OF COURT

By: \_\_\_\_\_