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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: THOMAS D. HENDERSON, BPR #8221
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December 30, 2013

MEMPHIS LAWYER CENSURED

On December 23, 2013, Thomas D. Henderson of Memphis, Tennessee was publicly censured by the Tennessee Supreme Court.

The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Petition for Discipline against Mr. Henderson pursuant to Rule 9, Rules of the Supreme Court. Mr. Henderson submitted a Conditional Guilty Plea acknowledging violation of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 8, Disciplinary Rule 7-103 (Performing the Duty of Public Prosecutor or Other Government Lawyer) and Rules of Professional Conduct 3.8 (Special Responsibilities of a Prosecutor) and 8.4 (misconduct).

Mr. Henderson is an assistant district attorney. While prosecuting a capital murder case in 1998, and again in 2004 during a retrial, Mr. Henderson responded to discovery in a manner that did not make timely disclosure of all exculpatory evidence.

For these violations, the Tennessee Supreme Court publicly censured Thomas D. Henderson. A public censure is a rebuke and warning to the attorney, but does not affect the attorney's ability to practice law.

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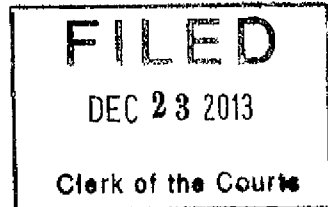
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: THOMAS D. HENDERSON, BPR #8221

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

No. M2013-02791-SC-BAR-BP
BOPR No. 2013-2234-9-WM



ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed against Thomas D. Henderson on July 1, 2013; upon Answer to Petition for Discipline filed by Mr. Henderson on August 6, 2013; upon entry of a Conditional Guilty Plea filed by Mr. Henderson on November 4, 2013; upon an Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea entered on November 12, 2013; upon consideration and approval by the Board on December 6, 2013; and upon the entire record in this cause.

From all of which the Court approves the Order of the Hearing Panel and adopts the Hearing Panel's Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea as the Court's Order.

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

1. Thomas D. Henderson is publicly censured pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.4.
2. Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18.5, this Order shall be effective ten (10) days after the date of entry.
3. Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 24.3, Mr. Henderson shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$1,745.07 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.

4. 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:

Cornelia A. Clark
CORNELIA A. CLARK, JUSTICE