

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

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Clerk of the
Appellate Courts

IN RE: RAY HAL JENKINS, BPR NO. 019113
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Knox County)

No. M2025-01198-SC-BAR-BP

ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed against Respondent Ray Hal Jenkins on February 21, 2024; upon a Motion for Default Judgment and that Charges in Petition for Discipline be Deemed Admitted filed April 12, 2024; upon Order Granting Default Judgment on Petition for Discipline entered June 26, 2024; upon service of the Order Granting Default Judgment on Mr. Jenkins by the Executive Secretary of the Board on June 26, 2024; upon Judgment of the Hearing Panel entered on February 24, 2025; upon service of the Judgment of the Hearing Panel on Mr. Jenkins by the Executive Secretary of the Board on February 24, 2025; upon Order for Assessment of Costs entered on April 21, 2025; upon service of the Order for Assessment of Costs upon Mr. Jenkins by the Executive Secretary of the Board on April 21, 2025; upon expiration of the appeal period with no appeal taken; and upon the entire record in this cause.

From all of which, the Court approves the Judgment of the Hearing Panel and adopts the Hearing Panel's Judgment of active suspension.

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

(1) Ray Hal Jenkins is suspended from the practice of law for two (2) years, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.2. As conditions precedent for reinstatement, Mr. Jenkins shall:

- (a) Contact the Tennessee Lawyers Assistance Program (TLAP) and undergo a new evaluation to determine what level of treatment is needed for him to achieve sobriety;
- (b) Enter and complete treatment, based on TLAP's findings regarding

what his current needs are; and

- (c) Renew his TLAP monitoring plan and agreement.

Mr. Jenkins shall also execute a Release of Information allowing his provider and TLAP to disclose information relating to his treatment to the Board of Professional Responsibility for as long as the suspension is in effect.

(2) Prior to seeking reinstatement, Mr. Jenkins 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. Jenkins shall be in substantial compliance with the terms and conditions of this Order.

(3) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 31.3(d), Mr. Jenkins shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs incurred by the Board in this matter in the amount of \$1,979.00, which includes \$100.00 for the filing of this matter, and shall pay to the Clerk of this Court the court 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, §28.11.

(5) Mr. Jenkins 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.

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

PER CURIAM