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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: DIANE GURULÉ LIVINGSTON, BPR# 18402**  
**CONTACT: RANDALL J. SPIVEY**  
**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**  
**615-361-7500**

February 17, 2011

**WILLIAMSON COUNTY ATTORNEY DISBARRED**

On February 14, 2011, the Tennessee Supreme Court disbarred Diane Gurulé Livingston, a Williamson County attorney, pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 4.1. Ms. Livingston violated disciplinary rules by abandoning her practice, accepting a fee and not performing any services, and failing to respond to the requests of Disciplinary Counsel. Ms. Livingston's actions violated Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 8, Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3 (Diligence), 1.4 (Communication), 1.16 (Declining and Terminating Representation), 3.2 (Expediting Litigation), 8.1(b) (Bar Admission and Disciplinary Matters), and 8.4(a), (c), (d) and (g) (Misconduct).

Ms. Livingston 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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AT NASHVILLE

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**DIANE GURULE' LIVINGSTON, BPR #18402**  
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee  
(Williamson County)

APPELLATE COURT CLERK  
NASHVILLE

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BOPR No. 2010-1940-6-RS  
NO. M2011-00305SC-BPO-BP

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**ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT**

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed by Disciplinary Counsel against Respondent, Diane Gurule' Livingston, on June 23, 2010; upon the Order of Default Judgment by the Hearing Panel on August 16, 2010; upon the Judgment of the Hearing Panel filed on November 22, 2010; upon the 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 (M2010-00299-SC-BPR-BP) was entered on February 12, 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 for CLE noncompliance on September 4, 2009.

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

1. That the Respondent, Diane Gurule' Livingston, shall be disbarred pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 4.1.
2. That the Respondent's temporary suspension, ordered on February 12, 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 \$925.00 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, Section 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

Michael W. Catalano, Clerk, hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of the original

filed in the case.  
This 14<sup>th</sup> day of Feb., 2011

CLERK OF COURT

Michael W. Catalano D.C.