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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: JAMIE ELLEN MACHAMER, BPR #28304
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December 2, 2015

DAVIDSON COUNTY LAWYER SUSPENDED

On November 30, 2015, Jamie Ellen Machamer of Nashville, Tennessee, was suspended from the practice of law by Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court for one (1) year, with thirty (30) days to be served as active suspension and the remainder on probation. As conditions of probation, Ms. Machamer must have a practice monitor, undergo an evaluation by Tennessee Lawyer's Assistance Program (TLAP) and enter into a monitoring agreement if deemed appropriate by TLAP, and continue treatment with her current provider. The order was effective upon entry. Ms. Machamer must pay the Board's costs and expenses and the court costs within ninety days of the entry of the Order of Enforcement.

Ms. Machamer failed to adequately communicate with a client she represented in divorce and estate matters. She was appointed to represent three (3) clients in post-conviction matters. She failed to adequately communicate with those clients and failed to timely file pleadings on their behalf. She also failed to timely respond to requests for information from the Board.

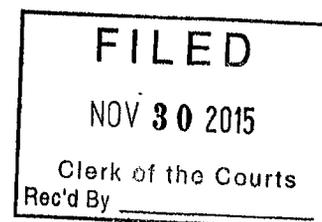
Ms. Machamer's actions violated RPC 1.3 (diligence), 1.4 (communication), 3.2 (expediting litigation), 8.1(b) (bar admission and disciplinary matters) and 8.4(a) (misconduct).

Ms. Machamer must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 28 and 30, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: JAMIE ELLEN MACHAMER, BPR #28304
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Davidson County)

No. M2015-02258-SC-BAR-BP
BOPR No. 2015-2492-5-WM



ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed against Jamie Ellen Machamer on September 25, 2015; upon entry of a Conditional Guilty Plea filed by Ms. Machamer on November 4, 2015; upon an Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea entered on November 20, 2015; upon consideration and approval by the Board on November 23, 2015; 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, CONSIDERED, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED BY THE COURT THAT:

(1) Jamie Ellen Machamer is suspended for one (1) year with thirty (30) days to be served as an active suspension, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.2 (2014), and the remainder to be served on probation, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 14.1 (2014), subject to the following conditions of probation:

- (a) Ms. Machamer shall engage a practice monitor for the entire period of probation. Ms. Machamer shall provide a list of potential practice monitors for selection by the Board within fifteen (15) days of entry of this order.
- (b) The practice monitor shall submit monthly reports to the Board addressing the following areas: assessment of case load, timeliness of tasks, and adequacy of communication between Ms. Machamer and her clients.

- (c) Ms. Machamer shall contact the Tennessee Lawyers Assistance Program (TLAP) for evaluation. If TLAP determines that a monitoring agreement is appropriate, Ms. Machamer shall comply with the terms and conditions of the TLAP monitoring agreement.
- (d) Ms. Machamer shall continue receiving treatment from her current treatment provider as he deems necessary.
- (e) During the period of suspension and probation, Ms. Machamer shall incur no new complaints of misconduct that relate to conduct occurring during the period of suspension and probation and which results in the recommendation by the Board that discipline be imposed.

(2) In the event Ms. Machamer fails to meet any condition of probation, the probation may be revoked pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 14.2 (2014).

(3) Prior to seeking reinstatement, Ms. Machamer must meet 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.

(4) Additionally, Ms. Machamer shall comply in all aspects with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, §§ 28 and 30.4 (2014) regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement.

(5) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.1 (2014), this Order shall be effective upon entry.

(6) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 31.3(d) (2014), Ms. Machamer shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$347.89 and 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.

(7) The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this discipline to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.11 (2014).

PER CURIAM