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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: ANDREW LEE MESSICK, BPR #20898
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RUTHERFORD COUNTY LAWYER SUSPENDED

On July 3, 2014, Andrew Lee Messick, of Murfreesboro, Tennessee, was suspended from the practice of law by Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court for one (1) year and one (1) day. Mr. Messick must pay the Board's costs and expenses and the court costs within ninety days of the entry of the Order of Enforcement. Prior to reinstatement, Mr. Messick must contact the Tennessee Lawyer's Assistance Program and follow any recommendations.

The Board filed a Petition for Discipline against Mr. Messick on March 20, 2014. The petition contained one (1) complaint of misconduct related to criminal conduct. Mr. Messick was arrested and charged with a violation of T.C.A. 39-17-418 for attempting to trade a television for narcotic pain relievers. Mr. Messick's ethical misconduct violated Rules of Professional Conduct 8.4(a) and (b), Misconduct.

Mr. Messick must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 18 (2006) and Section 30 (2014), regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: ANDREW LEE MESSICK, BPR #20898

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

NO. M2014-01218-SC-BAR-BP BOPR NO. 2014-2303-4-WM FILED

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Clerk of the Courts

Rec'd By _____

ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed against Andrew Lee Messick on March 20, 2014; upon an Answer to Petition for Discipline filed on April 9, 2014; upon entry of a Conditional Guilty Plea filed by Mr. Messick on May 29, 2014; upon an Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea entered on June 3, 2014; upon consideration and approval by the Board on June 13, 2014; and upon the entire record in this cause.¹

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.

On December 3, 2010, Mr. Messick was suspended for non-payment of professional privilege tax. On August 31, 2011, Mr. Messick was suspended for failure to comply with CLE requirements. To date, Mr. Messick has not requested, nor been granted, reinstatement from either suspension.

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

- (1) Andrew Lee Messick is suspended for one (1) year and one (1) day pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.2 (2006).
- (2) As a condition precedent to any reinstatement, Mr. Messick shall contact the Tennessee Lawyers Assistance Program (TLAP) for evaluation. If TLAP determines that a monitoring agreement is appropriate, Mr. Messick shall comply with the terms and conditions of the TLAP monitoring agreement.

¹Because this cause was initiated prior to January 1, 2014, it is governed by the pre-2014 version of Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9 except where otherwise noted.

- (3) Additionally, Mr. Messick shall comply in all aspects with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18 (2006) and Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 30.4 (2014) regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement. Mr. Messick must meet all CLE requirements, all registration requirements and all professional privilege tax requirements prior to reinstatement.
- (4) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18.5 (2006), this Order shall be effective ten (10) days after the date of entry.
- (5) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 24.3 (2006), Mr. Messick shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$133.38 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.
- (6) The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this discipline to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18.10 (2006).

FOR THE COURT:

Cornelia a. Clark, Justice