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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: JACK LESTER MEWBORN, JR., BPR# 19832
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November 15, 2011

SHELBY COUNTY ATTORNEY SUSPENDED

On November 10, 2011, the Supreme Court suspended Jack Lester Mewborn, Jr., of Memphis, Tennessee, for four (4) years pursuant to Rule 9, Section 4.2, of the Rules of the Supreme Court. Mr. Mewborn's suspension will be retroactive to his November 10, 2010, temporary suspension. As conditions for reinstatement, Mr. Mewborn must successfully complete his drug court program, maintain compliance with his TLAP Monitoring Agreement, and provide restitution to a former employer in the amount of \$742.01.

Mr. Mewborn forged names on discovery pleadings and submitted one such document to the court for filing. Mr. Mewborn also converted funds from a former employer to his own use and benefit. Mr. Mewborn was further charged with and has admitted to the use and manufacture of methamphetamine. Lastly, Mr. Mewborn failed to respond to disciplinary counsel concerning the complaint against him. Mr. Mewborn's actions violate Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 8, Sections 8.1(b) (disciplinary matters) and 8.4 (misconduct).

Mr. Mewborn was further ordered to pay the expenses and costs of the disciplinary proceedings against him, pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 24.3, and fully comply in all respects with the requirements and obligations of suspended attorneys as set forth in Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 18.

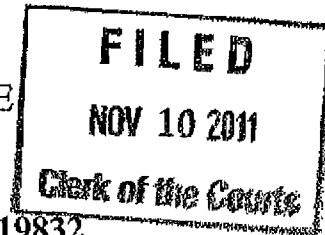
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE



IN RE: JACK LESTER MEWBORN, JR., BPR # 019832
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Shelby County)

No. M2011-02396-SC-BPR-BP
BPR DOCKET NO. 2011-2034-9-KB

ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed by Disciplinary Counsel against Jack Lester Mewborn, Jr., on April 18, 2011; upon the Order of Default Judgment regarding the Petition for Discipline entered by the Hearing Panel on June 16, 2011; upon the Judgment of the Hearing Panel filed on September 1, 2011; upon the approval of the Board of Professional Responsibility on October 20, 2011; and upon the entire record in this cause. Mr. Mewborn 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.

Jack Lester Mewborn, Jr. was suspended for noncompliance with his continuing legal education obligations on September 7, 2010. Mr. Mewborn was suspended for failure to pay annual registration fees to the Board on October 25, 2010. Mr. Mewborn was suspended for failure to respond to disciplinary complaints against him pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 4.3, on November 10, 2010. Mr. Mewborn was suspended for failure to pay his professional privilege taxes pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 32, on December 3, 2010. Lastly, Mr. Mewborn was suspended for failure to satisfy his IOLTA reporting obligations pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 43, Section 14, on June 14, 2011. To date, Mr. Mewborn has not requested, nor been granted, reinstatement.

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

1. Jack Lester Mewborn, Jr., shall be and is hereby suspended from the practice of law for four (4) years pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, §4.2. Mr. Mewborn's suspension shall be retroactive to his Rule 9, Section 4.3, temporary suspension on November 10, 2010.

2. As a condition for reinstatement, Mr. Mewborn must provide restitution to Stephen Libby in the amount of \$742.01 or, in the alternative, provide proof from Mr. Libby showing that the restitution or debt has been forgiven. As further conditions for reinstatement, Mr. Mewborn must successfully complete his drug court program, enter into a Monitoring Agreement with the Tennessee Lawyers Assistance Program, and adhere to the conditions therein.

3. Jack Lester Mewborn, Jr. shall comply in all respects with Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 18, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys.

4. Upon entry of this Order, the Order of Temporary Suspension entered November 10, 2010, is hereby dissolved.

5. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 24.3, Mr. Mewborn shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$725.00, 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.

6. The Board shall cause notice of this suspension to be published as required by Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 18.10.

FOR THE COURT:



WILLIAM C. KOCH, JR., JUSTICE

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

filed in the cause.

This 10 day of Nov, 2011
CLERK OF COURT

By:  b.c.