

**IN DISCIPLINARY DISTRICT VI
OF THE
BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESONSIBILITY
OF THE
SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE**

**IN RE: GEORGE H. NASON
 BPR #1451, Respondent
 An Attorney Licensed to
 Practice Law in Tennessee
 (Williamson County)**

DOCKET NO. 2006-1624-6-SG(14)

FINDINGS AND JUDGMENT OF HEARING PANEL

This matter came before the Hearing Panel on January 24, 2007 based upon the Petition for Final Discipline filed against the Respondent. Based upon the Hearing Panel's review of the record, the evidence and exhibits presented to the Hearing Panel, it appeared to the Panel as follows:

1. FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Respondent was duly and appropriately notified of this hearing on January 24, 2007.

2. The Respondent filed a Response which was filed with the Board of Professional Responsibility and considered by the Hearing Panel.

3. The Respondent was not present at the January 24, 2007 hearing and the Respondent's letter to Disciplinary Counsel dated January 16, 2007, which is Exhibit 3 to this proceeding, reflected that the Respondent would most likely not attend the January 24, 2007 hearing.

4. In the U. S. District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee, an Indictment was filed on November 20, 2002 in United States of America v. Nason charging the Respondent and eleven (11) other individuals.

5. On June 21, 2006, the Respondent pled guilty to counts 1, 7 and 11 of the Indictment.

6. Count 1 of the Indictment states:

"GEORGE H. NASON (hereinafter NASON) was a resident of the Middle District of Tennessee and was a licensed attorney in Tennessee until his license was suspended on December 31, 1998. Despite having his license suspended, NASON continued to hold himself out as a licensed attorney in order to facilitate the fraudulent scheme hereinafter set forth in this Indictment.

7. Count 7 of the Indictment states:

"7. TOMISIANO SOLOMON, a/d/a TOM SOLOMON, was the father of ROSELYNN SOLOMON, who resided with his daughter in Franklin, Tennessee, in property obtained in this fraudulent scheme and whom NASON used to knowingly act as a straw purchaser of real estate at an inflated price in order to generate funds to promote and facilitate the continuation of the fraudulent scheme."

8. Count 11 of the Indictment states:

“11. GERALDINE MOLONEY (hereinafter MOLONEY) was a resident of Boston, Massachusetts, whom NASON utilized to knowingly act as a straw purchaser of two condominium units located at 179 8th Avenue North, Nashville, Tennessee.”

9. In the Respondent’s Judgment, the Respondent was ordered to be imprisoned for a term of thirty six (36) months of counts 1, 7 and 11 to run concurrently with each other.

10. In the Respondent’s Judgment, the Court ordered upon release from imprisonment, the Respondent shall be on supervised release for a term of three (3) years.

11. In the Respondent’s Judgment, the Court ordered that the Respondent shall pay restitution to the victims identified in the pre-sentence report in an amount totaling \$382,271.10.

12. In the Respondent’s Judgment, the Court ordered the Respondent’s restitution as follows:

	<u>Name of Payee</u>	<u>Restitution Ordered</u>
a.	Franklin Mortgage Funding	\$ 92,000.00
b.	Bank One	178,000.00
c.	Equifirst Mortgage Corp.	41,788.86
d.	Southstar Funding LLC	22,651.72
e.	Indy Mac Bank	47,830.52

None of these entities were clients of the Respondent.

II. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Respondent's administrative suspension for CLE non-compliance on December 31, 1998 does not prevent the Board of Professional Responsibility from assessing further discipline against the Respondent.

2. Section 14.3 of Rule 9 states:

14.3 A certificate of a conviction of an attorney for any crime shall be conclusive evidence of the commission of that crime in any disciplinary proceeding instituted against the attorney based upon the conviction.

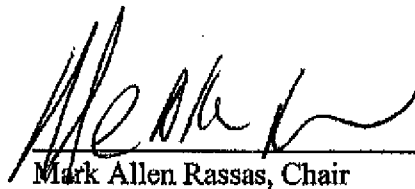
3. Section 14.4 of Rule 9 states:

14.4 Upon the receipt of a certificate of conviction of an attorney for a serious crime, the Court shall, in addition to suspending the attorney in accordance with the provisions of Section 14.1 of this Rule, also refer the matter to the Board for the institution of a formal proceeding before a hearing panel in which the sole issue to be determined shall be the extent of the final discipline to be imposed, provided that a disciplinary proceeding so instituted will not be brought to hearing until all appeals from the conviction are concluded.

4. Respondent's plea of guilty in United States of America v. Nason violates Rule 8.4(a)(b)(c)(d) of the Tennessee Rules of Professional Conduct .

It is therefore **ORDERED, ADJUDGED:** That the Hearing Panel's recommendation to the Tennessee Supreme Court is that the Respondent, George H. Nason, be disbarred.

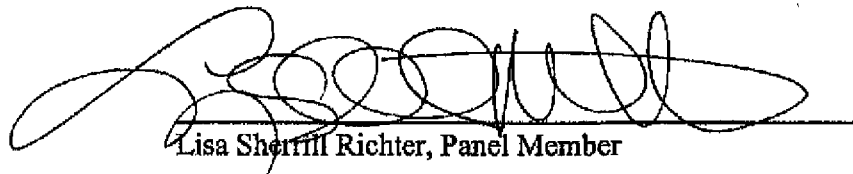
ENTERED this 26 day of July, 2007.



Mark Allen Rassas, Chair



William House Dale, Jr., Panel Member



Lisa Sherrill Richter, Panel Member