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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: LANCE W. PARR, BPR #024651
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FORMER ATHENS LAWYER SUSPENDED

On March 23, 2012, Lance W. Parr, formerly of Athens, was suspended for one year by the Tennessee Supreme Court pursuant to Rule 9, Section 4.2, of the Rules of the Supreme Court. Additionally, Mr. Parr must be evaluated by Tennessee Lawyers Assistance Program (TLAP) and must comply with all recommendations of TLAP as a condition to any reinstatement.

Mr. Parr represented a client in a divorce with whom Mr. Parr was having an affair. Mr. Parr failed to adequately advise the client of the conflict or obtain a waiver of the conflict. Mr. Parr moved to quash a subpoena for text messages claiming attorney-client privilege, although that privilege did not apply. Mr. Parr also forged a client's signature to a document, notarized the signature and submitted the document to the Court. When discovered, Mr. Parr submitted an amended document but misrepresented to the Court that the only change was the corrected signature.

A Hearing Panel determined Mr. Parr's actions violated Rule 1.7 (conflicts); 3.1 (meritorious claims); 3.3 (candor toward the tribunal); and 8.4 (misconduct). Mr. Parr was further ordered to pay the expenses and costs of the disciplinary proceedings against him pursuant to Rule 9, Section 24.3 of the Rules of the Supreme Court, and fully comply in all respects with the requirements and obligations of suspended attorneys as set forth in Rule 9, Section 18, of the Rules of the Supreme Court.

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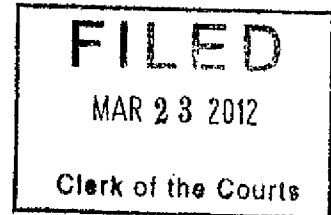
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE LANCE W. PARR, BPR # 024651
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(McMinn County)

No. M2012-00574-SC-BPR-BP
BOPR No. 2009-1821-3-RS



ORDER

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed on May 22, 2009, by the Board of Professional Responsibility (the "Board") against Lance W. Parr in Docket No. 2009-1821-3-RS; upon Mr. Parr's Response to Petition for Discipline filed June 29, 2009; upon the Board's Supplemental Petition for Discipline filed January 7, 2010; upon Mr. Parr's Response to Supplemental Petition filed March 8, 2010; upon the Judgment of the Hearing Panel entered on June 28, 2011; upon Mr. Parr's Motion to Alter or Amend Judgment filed August 17, 2011; upon the Board's Response to Motion to Alter or Amend Judgment filed September 2, 2011; upon the Order of the Hearing Panel on Respondent's Motion to Alter or Amend Judgment filed February 2, 2012; upon the Board's consideration and approval on March 9, 2012; upon Mr. Parr's March 15, 2012 email advising he would not appeal; and upon the entire record in this cause.

From all of which the Court approves the Judgment of the Hearing Panel and adopts the Judgment of the Hearing Panel as the Court's Order.

It is, therefore, ordered, adjudged, and decreed by the Court that:

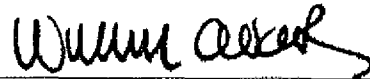
1. Lance W. Parr is hereby suspended from the practice of law for a period of one year and as a condition of any reinstatement, Mr. Parr must be evaluated by Tennessee Lawyer's Assistance Program (TLAP) and must thereafter comply with all recommendations of TLAP.
2. The suspension shall become effective ten (10) days after the filing of this Order.

3. Mr. Parr shall comply in all aspects with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, §18 and 19 regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement.

4. Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 24.3, Mr. Parr shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs in this matter in the amount of \$2,768.74 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.

5. The Board shall cause notice of this discipline to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18.10.

FOR THE COURT:



WILLIAM C. KOCH, JR., JUSTICE