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## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE AT NASHVILLE

## IN RE: KURT JOSEPH POMRENKE, BPR #015327

An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee (Abingdon, Virginia)

**No. M2019-00445-SC-BAR-BP** BOPR No. 2019-2976-0-JM-25

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## ORDER OF RECIPROCAL DISCIPLINE

This matter is before the Court pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 25, upon a Notice of Submission filed by the Board of Professional Responsibility ("Board") consisting of a copy of the decision entered November 27, 2018, by the Disciplinary Board of the Virginia State Bar suspending the law license of Kurt Joseph Pomrenke for a period of nine (9) months.

On March 5, 2019, this Court entered a Notice of Reciprocal Discipline requiring Mr. Pomrenke to inform this Court, within thirty (30) days of his receipt of the Notice, of any claim predicated upon the grounds set forth in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 25.4, that the imposition of the identical discipline in Tennessee would be unwarranted and the reason therefor. The Notice further provided that in the absence of a response demonstrating the grounds set forth in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 25.4, this Court would impose a discipline with identical terms and conditions based upon the decision of the Disciplinary Board of the Virginia State Bar. This Court received a response from Mr. Pomrenke on March 14, 2019, stating that he does not contest the reciprocal discipline.

After careful consideration of the record in this matter, the Court finds, based upon the particular facts of this case, that none of the elements in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 25.4, exist. As a result, it is appropriate to enter an Order of Reciprocal Discipline.

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

(1) Kurt Joseph Pomrenke shall be suspended from the practice of law in Tennessee for nine (9) months, consistent with the discipline entered by the Disciplinary Board of the Virginia State Bar, *In Re: Judicial Inquiry and Review Commission of Virginia v. Kurt J. Pomrenke, Judge of the Twenty-*

- Eighth Juvenile and Domestic Relations Judicial District, Record No. 170889, attached to this Order as Exhibit A.
- (2) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 31.3, Mr. Pomrenke 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.
- (3) Prior to seeking reinstatement, Mr. Pomrenke must have met 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 in this matter.
- (4) Mr. Pomrenke shall comply in all aspects with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, §§ 28 and 30.4, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement.
- (5) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.1, this Order shall be effective upon entry.
- (6) The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this discipline to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.11.

PER CURIAM