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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: JAMES STRONG POWELL, BPR #15619
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HARDIN COUNTY LAWYER DISBARRED

On June 5, 2014, James Strong Powell, of Savannah, Tennessee, was disbarred by Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

The Tennessee Supreme Court had suspended Mr. Powell on September 21, 2011 pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 14, based upon of his conviction of aggravated perjury in violation of T.C.A. 39-16-703. The Board of Professional Responsibility instituted a formal proceeding to determine the extent of final discipline to be imposed. Mr. Powell did not respond to the Board's Petition and an Order of Default was entered. The Hearing Panel recommended a sanction of disbarment.

Mr. Powell's actions violated Rules of Professional Conduct 8.4(a), (b), (c) and (d), Misconduct.

Mr. Powell must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 18 (2006) and 30.4 (2014), regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys. Mr. Powell must pay the Board's costs and expenses and the court costs within ninety days of the entry of the Order of Enforcement.

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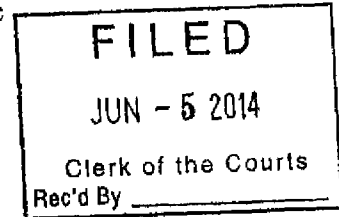
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: JAMES STRONG POWELL, BPR # 15619

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

NO. M2011-02004-SC-BPO-BP
BOPR DOCKET NO. 2011-2073-7-SG(14)



ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon the September 21, 2011 Order suspending the license of James Strong Powell and referring the matter to the Board of Professional Responsibility for the institution of formal proceedings to determine the extent of final discipline to be imposed; upon a Petition for Final Discipline filed against James Strong Powell on September 10, 2012; upon a Motion for Default Judgment and that Allegations Contained in Petition Be Deemed Admitted filed by the Board on November 22, 2013; upon entry of an Order for Default Judgment on January 28, 2014; upon a hearing on February 21, 2014; upon the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Judgment entered on March 21, 2014; upon service of the Judgment upon Mr. Powell by the Executive Secretary of the Board on March 21, 2014; upon consideration and approval by the Board on May 20, 2014; upon expiration of the appeal period with no appeal taken; and upon the entire record in this cause.¹

From all of which the Court approves the Judgment of the Hearing Panel and adopts the Hearing Panel's Judgment recommending a disbarment.

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

(1) James Strong Powell is disbarred pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.1 (2006).

(2) Additionally, Mr. Powell 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 disbarred attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement. Mr. Powell shall meet all CLE requirements and all registration requirements prior to reinstatement.

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) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18.5 (2006), this Order shall be effective ten (10) days after the date of entry.

(4) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 24.3 (2006), Mr. Powell shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$791.43 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.

(5) 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
CORNELIA A. CLARK, JUSTICE