IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE AT NASHVILLE

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JAMES STRONG POWELL, BPR#015619

An Attorney Licensed in Tennessee (Hardin County)

No. M2011-02004-5C-BPO-BP

BOPR No. 2011-2073-7-SG(14)

ORDER

This matter is before the Court pursuant to Section 14 of Rule 9, Rules of the Supreme Court of Tennessee, upon a certificate filed by Disciplinary Counsel for the Board of Professional Responsibility consisting of a certified copy of the Jury Verdict Form in a Criminal Case, State of Tennessee v. James S. Powell, (attached as Exhibit A) in the Circuit Court for Hardin County dated August 9, 2011, demonstrating that James S. Powell, a Tennessee attorney, has been found guilty of a serious crime, i.e., aggravated perjury.

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

- 1. James S. Powell is suspended from the practice of law on this date pending further orders of this Court, pursuant to Section 14 of Rule 9 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Tennessee;
- 2. This matter shall be referred to the Board of Professional Responsibility for the institution of a formal proceeding in which the sole issue to be determined shall be the extent of the final discipline to be imposed as a result of the conviction by the Guilty Plea;
- 3. James S. Powell shall fully comply with the provisions of Section 18 of Rule 9, Rules of the Supreme Court, concerning disbarred or suspended attorneys; and
- 4. The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this suspension to be published as required by Supreme Court Rule 9.

FOR THE COURT:

WILLIAM C. KOCH, JR., JUSTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HARDIN COUNTY, TENNESSEE STATE OF TENNESSEE, NO. 9309 **VERSUS** JAMES S. POWELL, DEFENDANT. JURY VERDICT FORM (Select only one box reflecting the jury's verdict. Insert the amount of fine in the appropriate space, entering a zero (0) if the jury elects no fine.) We, the Jury, find the defendant **GUILTY** of Aggravated Perjury and fix a fine in the amount of \$2500 (not to exceed \$5,000.00). **OR** We, the Jury, find the defendant GUILTY of Perjury and fix a fine in the amount of \$_____ (not to exceed \$2,500.00). Jury Foreperson Date: _____ OR We, the Jury, find the defendant NOT GUILTY. STATE OF TENNESSEE, HARDIN COUNTY Jury Foreperson I, the undersigned Court Clerk, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the original of this instrument. Date: In Minute Book ____ This 23 RD day of

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