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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: ASHLEY DENISE PRESTON, BPR #025642
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February 21, 2019

DAVIDSON COUNTY LAWYER REINSTATED

On February 21, 2019, the Supreme Court of Tennessee reinstated Ashely Denise Preston to the practice of law effective immediately. Ms. Preston had been suspended by the Supreme Court of Tennessee for four years on October 20, 2017, with two years active suspension, retroactive to February 23, 2016, with conditions. Ms. Preston filed a Petition for Reinstatement to the practice of law pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 30.4.

A Hearing Panel found that Ms. Preston complied with the terms and conditions of her suspension, and further found that she had demonstrated the moral qualifications, competency and learning in the law required for the practice of law, and that her resumption of the practice of law will not be detrimental to the integrity or standing of the bar or administration of justice, or subversive to the public interest. Based upon the Hearing Panel's recommendation, the Supreme Court reinstated Ms. Preston's license to practice law. As conditions of her reinstatement, Ms. Preston must continue to engage a practice monitor and engage a licensed counselor to assist her. Ms. Preston must pay the costs of the reinstatement proceeding.

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In Re: ASHLEY DENISE PRESTON, BPR #025642
(Davidson County)

No. M2017-02072-SC-BAR-BP
BOPR No. 2018-2908-5-AJ-30.4(d)

ORDER OF REINSTATEMENT

This matter is before the Court, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 30.4(d), upon a Petition for Reinstatement filed on August 30, 2018, by the Petitioner, Ashley Denise Preston. Ms. Preston was suspended from the practice of law by Order of this Court on October 20, 2017. On February 6, 2019, the Hearing Panel entered its Findings & Judgment of Hearing Panel recommending that Ms. Preston be reinstated with conditions. The Findings & Judgment of Hearing Panel was considered and approved by the Board on February 7, 2019.

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

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

1. The Petitioner, Ashley Denise Preston, is hereby reinstated to the practice of law in the State of Tennessee pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 30.4(d), subject to the following conditions:

- a. During the term of her two (2) year probation, Ms. Preston is to continue to engage with her practice monitor, Mr. Ben Russ, who shall provide monthly reports to the Board of Professional Responsibility for the purposes of providing the status of Ms. Preston's progress.
- b. During the term of her two (2) year probation, Ms. Preston shall continue to engage a licensed counselor located in Nashville where Ms. Preston intends to practice law to assist her should any needs arise.

2. Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 24.3, Ms. Preston shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of

\$912.00, 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.

3. The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this reinstatement to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.11.

PER CURIAM