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NASHVILLE LAWYER SUSPENDED

On March 22, 2011, Fernando Jose Ramos, of Nashville, Tennessee, was suspended for three (3) years by Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court. This suspension will become effective on April 1, 2011.

The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Petition for Discipline against Fernando Jose Ramos pursuant to Rule 9 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Tennessee alleging that Mr. Ramos violated rules of professional conduct. Specifically, Mr. Ramos was held in contempt for failing to follow an order requiring him to reimburse the Administrative Office of the Court for interpreter's fees and to provide proof of payment to the court. Further, Mr. Ramos failed to properly supervise non-lawyer assistants and failed to communicate with his clients. Mr. Ramos entered into a conditional guilty plea agreeing to a suspension of three (3) years.

Mr. Ramos' actions violate the following Rules of Professional Conduct: 1.1, Competence; 1.3, Diligence; 1.4, Communication; 1.5(a), Fees; 1.16(d), Declining and Terminating Representation; 3.2, Expediting Litigation; 5.3, Responsibilities Regarding Non-lawyer Assistants; and 8.4, Misconduct.

In addition to the suspension imposed by the Supreme Court on March 22, 2011, Mr. Ramos is also serving an earlier suspension imposed by the Court on July 8, 2009.

Mr. Ramos must comply with Section 18 of Rule 9, Rules of the Supreme Court, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys.

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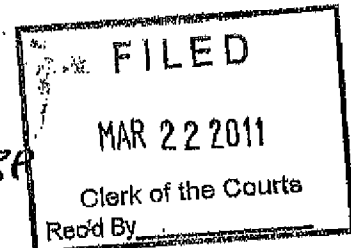
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: **FERNANDO JOSE RAMOS, BPR #11105**
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Davidson County)

NO. M2011-00639-SC-BPO-BP
BOPR No. 2010-1920-5-KH



ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed on April 14, 2010 by the Board of Professional Responsibility ("Board") against Fernando Jose Ramos ("Respondent"); upon Answer filed by the Respondent on May 11, 2010; upon a Supplemental Petition for Discipline filed on October 26, 2010; upon Motion for Default and That Allegations Be Deemed Admitted filed by the Board in relation to the Supplemental Petition for Discipline on January 4, 2011; upon Order entered by the Hearing Panel on January 25, 2011 granting the Board's motion for default; upon entry of a Conditional Guilty Plea filed by Respondent on January 21, 2011; upon an Order Recommending Approval of the Conditional Guilty Plea entered by the Panel on January 26, 2011; upon approval by the Board on March 11, 2011; and upon the entire record in this cause.

From all of which the Court approves the recommendation of the Hearing Panel and accepts the Conditional Guilty Plea.

By Order entered July 8, 2009 (M2009-01404-SC-BPO-BP), Respondent was suspended for three (3) years in relation to a prior disciplinary proceeding. As of September 7, 2010, Respondent was also suspended for noncompliance with continuing legal education.

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

1. Respondent, Fernando Jose Ramos, is hereby suspended for three (3) years pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 4.2.
2. This suspension shall become effective within ten (10) days of the filing of this Order.

3. The entry of this Order does not affect the continuing validity of the July 8, 2009 Order of suspension and Respondent must take all adequate steps to comply with the conditions of that Order and with the steps required under Section 19.1 for reinstatement. Further, Respondent must meet all CLE requirements prior to reinstatement.

4. Respondent shall comply in all aspects with Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 18 and 19 regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement.

5. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 24.3, the Respondent shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$735.00, 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.

6. The Board shall cause notice of this suspension to be published as required by Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 18.10.

FOR THE COURT:

Cornelia A. Clark
CORNELIA A. CLARK
CHIEF JUSTICE

I, Michael W. Catalano, Clerk, hereby certify that
this is a true and exact copy of the original
filed in the cause.
This 22 day of May, 2011
CLERK OF COURT
By: [Signature] D.C.