IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE AT NASHVILLE



IN RE: THOMAS ALLEN TANSIL, JR., BPR NO. 017582

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

> **No. M2021-01066-SC-BAR-BP** BOPR No. 2021-3199-8-AW-22.3

ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed against Thomas Allen Tansil, Jr. on October 20, 2021; upon a Conditional Guilty Plea filed by Mr. Tansil on May 3, 2022; upon entry of the Hearing Panel's Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea on May 18, 2022; upon service of the Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea of the Hearing Panel on Mr. Tansil by the Executive Secretary of the Board on May 18, 2022; upon consideration and approval by the Board on June 10, 2022; upon the written acceptance of the Tennessee Lawyer Assistance Program of the referral of Mr. Tansil for evaluation and monitoring; and upon the entire record in this cause.

From all of which, the Court approves the Order of the Hearing Panel and adopts the Hearing Panel's Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea as the Court's Order.

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

(1) Thomas Allen Tansil, Jr., is suspended for five (5) years pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.2 with one (1) year active suspension, and the remainder shall be served on probation. Mr. Tansil, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 22.5, shall be credited with the period of suspension served since the entry of the Order of Enforcement on September 15, 2021, with the exclusion of the sixty (60) days Mr. Tansil was incarcerated. The grant of probation is subject to the following conditions:

(a) Mr. Tansil, within ten (10) days of the entry of the Order of Enforcement, shall contact the Tennessee Lawyers Assistance Program (TLAP) for evaluation and cooperate fully with TLAP to complete the evaluation process in a timely manner. In the event TLAP determines a monitoring agreement is appropriate, Mr. Tansil shall immediately execute said monitoring agreement and thereafter comply with the terms and conditions of the TLAP monitoring agreement. Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 36.1, TLAP shall timely notify the Board of any failure by Mr. Tansil to establish contact with TLAP, cooperate with the evaluation process, execute the recommended monitoring agreement, or substantially comply with the terms and conditions of the executed monitoring agreement. Mr. Tansil shall execute the appropriate release to allow TLAP to communicate with the Board regarding any monitoring agreement.

- (b) Mr. Tansil shall comply with the terms and conditions of his criminal probation and restitution.
- (c) Mr. Tansil shall incur no new complaints of misconduct that relate to conduct occurring during the period of suspension and probation and which result in a recommendation by the Board that discipline be imposed.
- (d) In the event Mr. Tansil fails to meet or maintain any condition of probation, the probation may be revoked pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 14.2.

(2) Prior to seeking reinstatement, Mr. Tansil 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 and Board costs in this matter. In addition, Mr. Tansil shall be in substantial compliance with the terms and conditions of this Order.

(3) Mr. Tansil shall comply in all aspects with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, \S 28 and 30.4, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement.

(4) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 31.3(d), Mr. Tansil shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs incurred to date by the Board in this matter in the amount of \$445.00. In addition, Mr. Tansil shall be assessed \$100.00 for the cost of filing this matter and pay this filing fee to the Board and shall pay to the Clerk of this Court the court costs incurred herein. All Board costs, fees, and expenses awarded or assessed herein shall be paid within one hundred and eighty (180) days, and all court costs assessed shall be paid within ninety (90) days of the entry of this Order, for which execution, if necessary, may issue.

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

(6) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.1, this Order shall be effective upon entry.

PER CURIAM