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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: THOMAS A. TANSIL, JR., BPR #017582**  
**CONTACT: A. RUSSELL WILLIS**  
**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**  
**615-361-7500**

September 15, 2021

**TENNESSEE LAWYER SUSPENDED**

On September 15, 2021, the Tennessee Supreme Court suspended Thomas A. Tansil, Jr. from the practice of law until further orders of the Court pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 22.3. Mr. Tansil entered a plea of *Nolo Contendere* to three (3) felonies involving theft of property, tampering with government records and computer offenses.

Pursuant to the Order of the Supreme Court, the matter has been referred to the Board to institute formal proceedings to determine the extent of the final discipline to be imposed upon Mr. Tansil as a result of his plea of *Nolo Contendere* to conduct constituting a serious crime as defined by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 2.

Mr. Tansil must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 28 and 30.4, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys.

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09/15/2021

Clerk of the  
Appellate Courts

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE  
AT NASHVILLE  
**IN RE: THOMAS A. TANSIL, JR., BPR #017582**  
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee  
(Henry County)

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

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**ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT**

This matter is before the Court pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 22.3, upon a Notice of Submission filed by Disciplinary Counsel for the Board of Professional Responsibility consisting of a certified copy of the Plea Agreement with the State of Tennessee in the Circuit Court of Carroll County, Tennessee, Twenty-Fourth Judicial District, Docket No. 2020-CR-151 (attached as Exhibit A), demonstrating that Thomas A. Tansil, Jr., a Tennessee attorney, has pled guilty to three felony offenses.

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

1. Thomas A. Tansil, Jr. is suspended from the practice of law on this date pending further orders of this Court, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 22.3;
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;
3. Thomas A. Tansil, Jr. shall fully comply with the provisions of Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28, concerning disbarred or suspended attorneys; and
4. The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this suspension to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.11.

PER CURIAM

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CASE #

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE  
TWENTY-FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

SARAH BRADBERRY  
CARROLL CO. CIRCUIT COURT

STATE OF TENNESSEE

BY

VS.

DOCKET NO(S).

2020-CR-151

THOMAS A. TANSIL, JR.  
DEFENDANT

PLEA OF *NOLO CONTENDERE* AND WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL AND OF APPEAL

1. My full and correct name is Thomas A. Tansil, Jr., and I am represented by Beau E. Pemberton, attorney, whom I have retained privately to represent me.
2. Having received a copy of the indictment and discussed it with my attorney, I understand the nature of the charge(s) against me and my defenses that could be raised on my behalf.
3. I understand the minimum and maximum penalties provided by law for each of the charge(s) to be:

No.	Ct.	Minimum Sentence/Fine	Maximum Sentence/Fine
No. 1	Ct. 1	3 years	6 years/\$10,000 maximum fine
No. 2	Ct. 2	1 year	2 years/\$5,000 maximum fine
No. 3	Ct. 3		11 months/29 days/\$2,500 maximum fine
No. 4	Ct. 4	3 years	6 years/\$10,000 maximum fine

4. My attorney has explained the difference between concurrent and consecutive sentences and I understand that the sentences imposed on me in this case can be concurrent or consecutive, in the discretion of the Court.

5. I understand that my sentence upon a plea of *Nolo Contendere*, if accepted by the Court, will be as follows:

No.	Ct.	Offense/Class	Range	Fine	Place of Confinement
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Theft of Property b/w \$10,000-\$60,000 (C Felony)	1	N/A	N/A
2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tampering with Governmental Records (E Felony)	1	N/A	N/A
3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Computer Offenses (C Felony)	1	N/A	N/A

Punishment: Per Agreement with the State of Tennessee, the parties would stipulate to the plea of Nolo Contendere to Counts 1, 3, and 4 of the Indictment, and the Defendant's sentence would be fixed by the Court as to the above-charges at a Sentencing Hearing, and the Defendant would so request the same of the Court as part of this Agreement.

Upon Agreement with the State of Tennessee, Count 2 of the Indictment (Offense) and the Defendant would be Dismissed on State's agreement.

I, Sarah Bradberry, Circuit Court Clerk of Carroll County, Tennessee do hereby certify that this is the original, which appears of record in my office in Minute Book \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_  
This the 31 day of August 2021  
Sarah Bradberry, Clerk  
By Shawn Boyd



I have discussed with my attorney and fully understand:

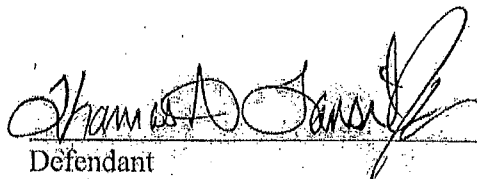
- 1) That I have the right not to plead guilty.
- 2) That if I enter a plea of guilty, I am entitled to a speedy and public trial by a jury or by a judge sitting without a jury.
- 3) That at a trial I have the right to the assistance of counsel; the right to confront and cross-examine witnesses testifying against me and the right to compel witnesses to appear and testify on my behalf.
- 4) That at a trial I cannot be compelled to take the witness stand and incriminate myself.
- 5) That if this Plea is accepted, there will not be a trial and this case is at an end, other than the imposing of a sentence on me by this Court after a sentencing hearing.
- 6) That in accepting this Plea, the Court may ask me questions and require that I answer under oath, on the record, with the assistance of my attorney and that my answers may later be used against me in a prosecution for perjury or the making of a false statement.
- 7) That if I should be found guilty of another criminal offense at a later date, the judgment of conviction in this case may be used to enhance the punishment for the subsequent offense.
- 8) That I have the right to have a jury impose any fine in excess of \$50.00.

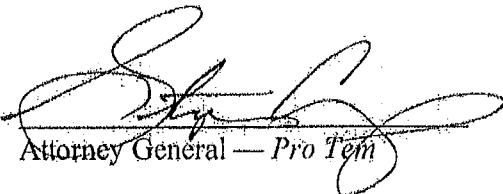
I am pleading guilty of my own free will and choice and I do hereby request that my Plea to the charges set forth above be accepted by the Court. If this Plea is accepted, I do hereby expressly and knowingly waive my right to a trial by jury or by a judge sitting without a jury and submit my case to the trial judge for decision both as to my guilt and the punishment to be imposed on me.

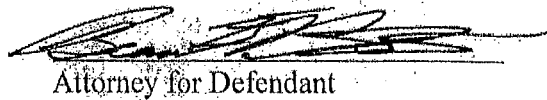
I fully understand my right to have my case review by an Appellate Court, but hereby expressly and knowingly waive my right to file Motion for a New Trial or otherwise appeal the decision made in my case here today as to the Plea herein entered, while reserving this right as to the sentencing phase of this case.

I certify that I am not under the influence of alcohol, narcotics, drugs or any other mind-altering substance, that I fully understand the nature of my actions here today, and that my actions are voluntary and not the result of force, threats or promises of any nature.

This, the 19<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2021.

  
Defendant

  
Attorney General — Pro Tem

  
Attorney for Defendant