IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE AT NASHVILLE

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In Re: Susanna Laws Thomas, BPR #11190
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Cocke County)

BPR Docket No. 2004-1460-1-TC No. M2005 - 00277-5C- RPR-BP

ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition and Supplemental Petition for Discipline filed by the Board of Professional Responsibility ("Board") against Respondent, Susanna Laws Thomas, on, respectively, September 13, 2004 and September 13, 2005; upon Respondent's Response to the Petition for Discipline filed on October 14, 2004; upon a hearing before a Hearing Panel on September 19, 2007; and upon the Judgment of the Hearing Panel filed on October 22, 2007, in which the Hearing Panel recommended that Respondent be suspended from the practice of law for three and one-half years and further recommended that Respondent's reinstatement be subject to certain specified conditions.

After due consideration, the Court found that the proposed punishment was inadequate and notified the Board and Respondent, pursuant to Rule 9, Section 8.4 of the Rules of the Supreme Court, that it proposed to increase the punishment; however, Respondent failed to respond to the notice as provided in Section 8.4.

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

- 1. Respondent be, and is hereby suspended from the practice of law for five (5) years, retroactive to September 19, 2007.
- 2. As conditions of reinstatement, Respondent shall:
 - (a) Obtain a statement from each of the Complainants in File Nos. 27391c-1-TC, 27586-1-TC, and 27661c-1-TC, setting forth that Respondent has made satisfactory restitution to each of them; and
 - (b) Have an assessment performed by a professional recommended by the Tennessee Lawyer Assistance Program ("TLAP"). If at that time it is TLAP's recommendation that

Respondent enter into a monitoring agreement, Respondent shall enter into such agreement and remain in compliance with the terms of the agreement.

- 3. Pursuant to Rule 9, Section 24.3 of the Rules of the Supreme Court, Respondent shall pay to the Board the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$10,171.93, and in addition shall pay the Clerk of this Court the costs incurred herein, for all of which execution may issue, if necessary.
- 4. The Board shall cause notice of this suspension to be published as required by Rule 9, Section 18.10 of the Rules of the Supreme Court.

FOR THE COURT:

Cornelia a. Clark, JUSTICE

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