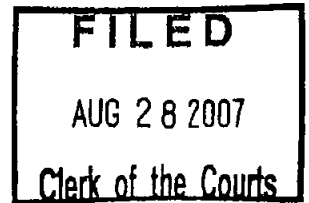


IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE  
AT NASHVILLE



**WILLIAM H. THOMAS, JR., BPR #5017**  
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee  
(Shelby County)

---

**BPR DOCKET NO. 2005-1549-9-LC**

NO. \_\_\_\_\_

---

**ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT**

The Board of Professional Responsibility of the Supreme Court of Tennessee, by and through Disciplinary Counsel, filed a Petition for Discipline on October 5, 2005 against the Respondent, William H. Thomas, Jr., a Shelby County, Tennessee lawyer.

Pursuant to Section 16.1 of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Respondent submitted a Conditional Guilty Plea in exchange for a stated form of discipline. The Guilty Plea embraces complaint number 28198-9-LC. A copy of the Conditional Guilty Plea is attached as Exhibit A.

Respondent admitted his guilt of violating Rule 8.4(a)(d)(g) of the Tennessee Rules of Professional Conduct.

It is therefore **ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED** that the Respondent, William H. Thomas, Jr., be and hereby is **publicly censured** for self-reporting that he had been found to have violated a Temporary Restraining Order, but was filing a Rule 10 appeal. The Court of Appeals initially stayed enforcement of the trial court's order of May 10, 2005, but ultimately declined to hear the Rule 10 appeal. The Chancery Court of Tennessee for the Thirtieth Judicial District at Memphis found Respondent to be in contempt of the May 10, 2005 Injunction Order and of its June 3, 2005 Contempt Order.

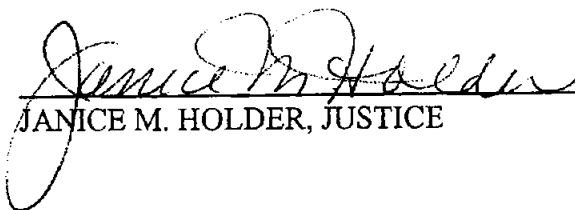
Order of Enforcement  
William H. Thomas, Jr., Respondent, BPR #5017  
BPR Docket No. 2005-1549-9-LC

It is further **ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED** that Respondent, William H. Thomas, Jr., shall pay the costs in this matter of \$857.00, and in addition, shall pay the Clerk of this Court the costs incurred herein, for all of which execution shall issue, if necessary.


The Board of Professional Responsibility is directed to make notification of this public censure as provided in Section 18.10 of Supreme Court Rule 9.

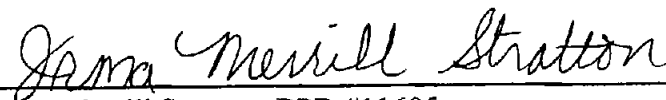
ENTERED this 28<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2007.

FOR THE COURT:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
JANICE M. HOLDER, JUSTICE

APPROVED FOR ENTRY:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Laura L. Chastain, BPR #12018  
Deputy Chief Disciplinary Counsel  
1101 Kermit Drive, Suite 730  
Nashville, TN 37217  
615-361-7500  
ThomasOrderEnforcement1549-LC

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Irma Merrill Stratton, BPR #11605  
Attorney for Respondent  
2121 One Commerce Square  
Memphis, TN 38103  
901-526-6464

*by permission*