

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

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Clerk of the
Appellate Courts

IN RE: ROBERT JOSEPH TURNER, BPR NO. 015107

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

No. M2025-01531-SC-BAR-BP

ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed against Robert Joseph Turner on December 19, 2024; upon submission of a Conditional Guilty Plea on May 12, 2025; upon the Hearing Panel's Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea entered on May 13, 2025; upon service of the Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea on Counsel for Mr. Turner by the Executive Secretary of the Board on May 13, 2025; upon consideration and approval by the Board on June 13, 2025; 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.

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

(1) Robert Joseph Turner is hereby suspended from the practice of law for one (1) year pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.2, with a thirty (30) day period served as an active suspension and the remainder served as a probationary suspension, the grant of which is conditioned upon the following:

- (a) During and throughout the eleven (11) month probationary period, Respondent, at his cost, if any, shall engage a Practice Monitor who shall be selected and approved in accordance and shall comply with the requirements in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.9(c). The Practice Monitor shall meet with Respondent monthly and assess Respondent's managerial and supervisory practices and procedures, case load, case management, timeliness of performing tasks, adequacy of communication with clients, and accounting procedures. The Practice Monitor

shall provide a monthly written report of Respondent's progress to Disciplinary Counsel.

(2) Within one (1) year of commencement of the period of suspension, Respondent shall take six (6) hours of CLE focusing on law firm management, supervision of associates and staff, and the managerial responsibilities of supervisory lawyers. This requirement will be in addition to Respondent's annual CLE requirements.

(3) Mr. Turner shall comply in all aspects with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys. In the event Mr. Turner fails to meet or maintain any condition of probation, probation may be revoked pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 14.2.

(4) Mr. Turner shall comply in all aspects with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 30.4, regarding the procedure for reinstatement.

(5) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 31.3(d), Mr. Turner shall pay the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs incurred to date by the Board in this matter, including any filing fee assessed by the Court, in the amount of \$398.00. All costs, fees, and expenses awarded or assessed herein shall be paid within ninety (90) days of the entry of this Order for which execution, if necessary, may issue.

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

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

PER CURIAM