

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE  
AT NASHVILLE

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**IN RE: JOHN SCOTT WESSON, BPR NO. 020555**  
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee  
(Hamilton County)

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**No. M2023-01622-SC-BAR-BP**  
BOPR No. 2022-3284-3-DB

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**ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT**

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed against John Scott Wesson on October 5, 2022; upon a Motion for Default Judgment and that Allegations and Exhibits Included in Petition for Discipline be Deemed Admitted filed by the Board of Professional Responsibility (“Board”) on March 30, 2023; upon Order for Default Judgment entered by Hearing Panel on May 4, 2023; upon service of the Order for Default Judgment on Petition for Discipline on Mr. Wesson by the Executive Secretary of the Board on May 5, 2023; upon Amended Order for Default Judgment entered by Hearing Panel on May 18, 2023; upon service of the Amended Order for Default Judgment on Petition for Discipline on Mr. Wesson by the Executive Secretary of the Board on May 18, 2023; upon Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Judgment entered by the Hearing Panel on August 11, 2023; upon service of Findings and Fact, Conclusions of Law and Judgment on Mr. Wesson by the Executive Secretary of the Board on August 11, 2023; upon Board’s Application for Assessment of Costs entered on August 14, 2023; upon the Findings and Judgment for Assessment of Costs entered by the Hearing Panel on August 31, 2023; upon service of the Findings and Judgment for Assessment of Costs on Mr. Wesson by the Executive Secretary of the Board on August 31, 2023; upon consideration and approval of the Hearing Panel’s Order by the Board on September 8, 2023; upon expiration of the appeal period with no appeal taken; and upon the entire record in this cause.

From all of which, the Court approves the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Judgment of the Hearing Panel and adopts the Hearing Panel’s Judgment of Suspension.

On September 30, 2022, Mr. Wesson was temporarily suspended by this Court from the practice of law pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.3 (M2022-01391-SC-BAR-BP). To date, Mr. Wesson has not requested nor been granted reinstatement.

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

(1) Mr. Wesson is suspended from the practice of law for seven (7) years, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.2, and within ninety (90) days of entry of this Order, Mr. Wesson shall contact Tennessee Lawyer Assistance Program (“TLAP”) for an initial evaluation and shall follow recommendations by TLAP. Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 33.07, Mr. Wesson shall authorize TLAP to report all progress related to its recommendations in this case.

(2) Prior to seeking reinstatement, Mr. Wesson 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. Wesson shall be in full compliance with the terms and conditions of this Order.

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

(4) The Order of Temporary Suspension entered on September 30, 2022, in Case No. M2022-01391-SC-BAR-BP is hereby dissolved.

(5) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 31.3(d), Mr. Wesson 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 \$1,490.00, which includes the assessment of \$100.00 for the cost of filing this matter and shall pay to the Clerk of this Court the court costs incurred herein. 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