## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE AT NASHVILLE

## IN RE: MICHAEL LEE WEST, BPR# 001868

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

**No. M2014-00387-SC-BAR-BP** BOPR No. 2014-2310-3-AW FILED

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## ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed against Michael Lee West on April 11, 2014; upon Response to Petition for Discipline filed by Mr. West on May 6, 2014; upon entry of a Conditional Guilty Plea filed by Mr. West on September 26, 2014; upon an Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea entered on October 3, 2014; upon consideration and approval by the Board on October 19, 2014; and upon the entire record in this cause. <sup>1</sup>

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 as the Court's Order.

On March 18, 2014, Mr. West was temporarily suspended by this Court pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.3 (Case No. M2014-00387-SC-BAR-BP) for misappropriation of client funds. To date, Mr. West has not requested, nor been granted, reinstatement.

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

- (1) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.1 (2006), Michael Lee West is disbarred. Further, Mr. West is ordered to make restitution as follows:
  - (a) Payment of restitution to Ms. Harvey of the balance of the \$50,000.00, settlement less any documented payments to Ms. Harvey and/or the subrogation liens paid on her behalf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>This matter was initiated before the Board prior to January 1, 2014, and is governed by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9 (2006) unless otherwise noted.

- (b) Payment of restitution to SunTrust Bank in the amount of \$5,000.00, less any documented payments to SunTrust Bank.
- (c) Payment of restitution to Tiffany Rogers in the amount of \$500.00, less any documented payments to Ms. Rogers.
- (d) Payment of restitution to Aliceon Varner in the amount of \$1,000.00 less any documented payments to Ms. Varner.
- (2) Mr. West shall comply in all aspects with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18 (2006) and Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 30.4 (2014) regarding the obligations and responsibilities of disbarred attorneys, and the procedure for reinstatement. Mr. West must meet all CLE requirements and all registration requirements prior to reinstatement.
- (3) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 24.3 (2006), Mr. West shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$1,165.43 and shall pay to the Clerk of this Court the costs incurred herein, within ninety (90) days of the entry of this Order, for all of which execution may issue if necessary.
- (4) Upon entry of this Order, the Temporary Suspension entered on March 18, 2014, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.3, shall be dissolved.
- (5) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18.5 (2006), this Order shall be effective ten (10) days after the date of entry.
- (6) The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this discipline to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18.10 (2006).

PER CURIAM