

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: SAMUEL ERVIN WHITE, BPR #029973
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Sullivan)

No. M2026-00866-SC-BAR-BP

ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon Petition for Discipline filed against Samuel Ervin White (hereinafter “Mr. White”) on October 24, 2025; upon Mr. White’s Answer to Petition for Discipline filed January 16, 2026; upon Conditional Guilty Plea submitted by Mr. White on April 15, 2026; upon the Hearing Panel’s Order Recommending Approval of the Conditional Guilty Plea entered April 20, 2026; upon consideration and approval of the Conditional Guilty Plea by the Board on May 29, 2026; and upon the entire record in this cause.

From all of which, the Court approves and adopts the Hearing Panel’s Order Recommending Approval of Conditional Guilty Plea as the Court’s Order.

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

(1) Mr. White is suspended from the practice of law for six (6) years pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.2, with four (4) years to be served as an active suspension, and the remainder shall, following any successful reinstatement Petition, be served on probation, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, §14.1, subject to the following conditions:

- (a) During any period of active probation, Mr. White shall incur no new complaints of misconduct that relate to conduct occurring during the period of suspension and probation, which result in the recommendation by the Board that discipline be imposed. In the event that Mr. White violates or otherwise fails to meet said conditions of probation, Disciplinary Counsel shall be authorized to file a petition to revoke Mr. White’s probation pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 14.2. Upon a finding that revocation is warranted, Mr. White shall serve the previously deferred period of suspension.

(b) Mr. White's reinstatement to the active practice of law shall be conditioned upon Respondent, within one hundred-eighty (180) days of the entry of this Order of Enforcement, retaining a Certified Public Accountant to review his trust account and accounting practices, reconcile the trust account to ensure all client funds are and were appropriately maintained in trust in compliance with the Rules of Professional Conduct for the period of January 2020 through the date of this enforcement order and provide said analysis in written form to the Tennessee Board of Professional Responsibility.

(c) Following any successful reinstatement to the practice of law Mr. White, at his cost, if any, shall engage the services of a Practice Monitor for one (1) year who shall be selected and approved in accordance with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.9(c). Mr. White shall, in utilizing a Practice Monitor, comply with all requirements as contained in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.9(c). The Practice Monitor shall meet with Mr. White monthly and assess Mr. White'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 Mr. White's progress to Disciplinary Counsel

(3) As a condition precedent to seeking reinstatement, Mr. White 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 of Professional Responsibility (hereinafter "the Board") costs in this matter. In addition, Mr. White shall be in compliance with the terms and conditions of this Order.

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

(5) Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 31.3(d), Mr. White shall pay to the Board the expenses and costs incurred to date by the Board in this matter in the amount of \$1,200.00, which includes \$100.00 for the costs of filing this matter and pay this filing fee to the Board 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 shall cause notice of this discipline to be published as required by the 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