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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: WILLIAM T. WINCHESTER, BPR #21282
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BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY
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August 10, 2011

MEMPHIS LAWYER SUSPENDED

On August 5, 2011, William T. Winchester of Memphis, Tennessee, was suspended by the Tennessee Supreme Court for a period of two (2) years pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 4.2. Mr. Winchester violated disciplinary rules by neglecting clients' cases, failing to communicate with his clients, failing to diligently represent his clients and abandoning his law practice. Mr. Winchester's actions violated Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 8, Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3 (Diligence), 1.4 (Communication), 1.16 (Declining and Terminating Representation), 3.2 (Expediting Litigation) and 8.4 (Misconduct).

Mr. Winchester was furthered ordered to pay the expenses and costs of the disciplinary proceedings against him, pursuant to Rule 9, Section 24.3, of the Rules of the Supreme Court and fully comply in all respects with the requirements and obligations of suspended attorneys as set forth in Rule 9, Section 18.1 of the Rules of the Supreme Court.

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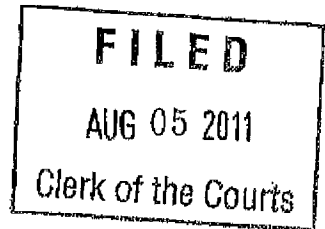
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

WILLIAM T. WINCHESTER, BPR #21282
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Shelby County)



NO. M 2011-01664-SC-BPO-BP
BOPR No. 2008-1738-9-RS

ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed by Disciplinary Counsel against Respondent, William T. Winchester, on March 12, 2008; upon an Answer to the Petition for Discipline filed by the Respondent on April 3, 2008; upon the Findings and Judgment entered by the Hearing Panel on November 9, 2009; upon the Petition for Writ of Certiorari filed by the Respondent in the Davidson County Chancery Court on January 8, 2010; upon the Consent Order transferring the file to the Shelby County Chancery Court on May 21, 2010; upon the Order dismissing the Petition for Writ of Certiorari for lack of subject matter jurisdiction entered by the Chancery Court on May 23, 2011; upon the Respondent's Motion to Make Additional Findings of Fact and Motion to Alter or Amend Judgment filed on May 7, 2011; upon the Chancery Court's denial of the Motion to Make Additional Findings of Fact and Motion to Alter or Amend Judgment entered on May 23, 2011; upon the approval of the Board of Professional Responsibility on December 11, 2009; and upon the entire record in this cause. Respondent has not appealed the Chancery Court's Orders.

From all of which the Court approves the recommendation of the Hearing Panel and adopts the judgment of the Hearing Panel as the Court's Order.

An Order of Summary Suspension was entered on December 3, 2010, pursuant to Section 32 of Supreme Court Rule 9 suspending the Respondent for failing to pay his professional privilege tax.

It is, therefore, **ORDERED, ADJUDGED** and **DECREED** by the Court:

1. That the Respondent, William T. Winchester, shall be suspended for two (2) years pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 4.2.

2. That, pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 24.3, the Respondent shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$3,413.16 and in addition, shall pay to the Clerk of this Court the costs incurred herein, within ninety (90) days from the entry of this order, for all of which execution may issue if necessary.

3. That the Respondent shall comply in all aspects with Rule 9, Section 18 of the Rules of the Supreme Court regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys.

4. That the Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this discipline to be published as required by Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 18.10.

5. This suspension shall become effective ten (10) days after the filing of this Order.

FOR THE COURT:

Cornelia A. Clark

CORNELIA A. CLARK

CHIEF JUSTICE

Michael W. Catalano, Clerk, hereby certify that
this is a true and exact copy of the original

Filed in the cause.

This 5 day of Aug, 2011

by *[Signature]* CLERK OF COURT D.C.