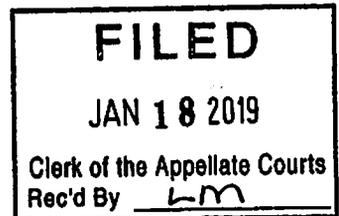


**IN THE TENNESSEE BOARD OF JUDICIAL CONDUCT**

**IN RE: THE HONORABLE ROBERT S. WEISS  
CIRCUIT JUDGE, 30<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE**

**Docket No. M2018-M2018-01486-BJC-DIS-FC**

**File Nos. B17-7070 and B17-7284**



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**AFFIDAVIT OF HON. ROBERT WEISS PURSUANT TO PUBLIC  
REPRIMAND**

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This Affidavit is made and executed by Hon. Robert Weiss, Judge of the Circuit Court for the 30<sup>th</sup> Judicial District of Tennessee and the Tennessee Board of Judicial Conduct, in Accordance with the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated § 17-5-307.

1. In settlement of the Formal Charge now filed against him, Judge Robert Weiss admits the following matters as set forth in the Formal Charge hereto filed as follows:

On or about June 15, 2018, Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated § 17-5-304(d)(1), Judge Weiss received official notice from the Office of the Disciplinary Counsel of the Tennessee Board of Judicial Conduct of the complaint filed in B17-7070, that complaint dealing with the subject matter of unreasonable delay in ruling on a divorce petition which was the subject matter of Count 1 of this Formal Charge. This notice advised him of the nature of the complaint, notified him that an Investigative Panel of the Board of Judicial Conduct had authorized a full investigation of the complaint, and

required that he file a written response to the complaint within 30 days after receipt of the notice.

Judge Weiss failed to file a written response to the notice of the full investigation as required by the provisions of the Tennessee Code Annotated and the Code of Judicial Conduct.

In May of 2013, Judge Weiss presided over a jury trial in which the jury returned a verdict of \$3,705,000 in favor of the plaintiff in this motor vehicle accident case. After this verdict, Judge Weiss suggested a remitter of this verdict of \$1,605,000, leaving a new verdict of \$2,100,000. The case in question eventually was considered by the Tennessee Supreme Court, which remanded the case back down to the Circuit Court for the purpose of having Judge Weiss give an explanation of his reasons for the suggestion of the remittitur. On December 6, 2017, the parties to the litigation appeared in the court of Judge Weiss for a status conference and were told to return to Court on January 3, 2018, for a ruling. On this day, Judge Weiss told the parties that he would make a ruling by the end of that day. When no ruling was forthcoming on that day, counsel for the plaintiff had a letter delivered to Judge Weiss on January 25, 2018, asking Judge Weiss to make a ruling by the end of January. A second letter was delivered to Judge Weiss by counsel for the plaintiff on February 8, 2018, again asking for a ruling pursuant to the Supreme Court remand. Judge Weiss has not yet entered an order on the case.

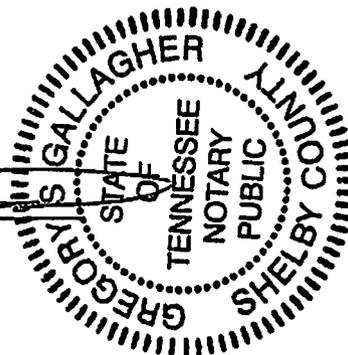
On or about June 15, 2018, Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated § 17-5-304(d)(1), Judge Weiss received official notice from the Office of the Disciplinary Counsel of the Tennessee Board of Judicial Conduct of the complaint filed in B18-7284, that complaint dealing with the subject matter of unreasonable delay in entering an order

which was required by the remand of the Tennessee Supreme Court was the subject matter of Count 3 of this Formal Charge. This notice advised him of the nature of the complaint, notified him that an Investigative Panel of the Board of Judicial Conduct had authorized a full investigation of the complaint, and required that he file a written response to the complaint within 30 days after receipt of the notice. Judge Weiss failed to file a written response to the notice of the full investigation as required by the provisions of the Tennessee Code Annotated and the Code of Judicial Conduct.

2. Judge Weiss consents to the entry of a Public Reprimand, which is specifically incorporated into this Affidavit as though restated verbatim.
3. The consent of Judge Weiss is freely and voluntarily entered.
4. The facts set forth in this affidavit are true.
5. Judge Weiss understands and consents that the Public Reprimand and this Affidavit shall be filed with the Board of Judicial Conduct and shall become public upon filing in accordance with the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated § 17-5-307

After being duly sworn, the undersigned Judge Robert Weiss makes oath that he has read the foregoing Affidavit and understands the same and that it is true and correct.

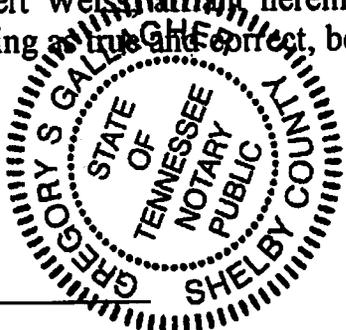
  
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Hon. Robert Weiss  
Circuit Judge



STATE OF TENNESSEE  
SHELBY COUNTY

The Undersigned Gregory Gallagher Notary Public for the State of Tennessee, certifies the Robert Weiss, affiant herein, personally executed and acknowledged the foregoing as true and correct, before me this 31 day of December, 2018

[Signature]  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires \_\_\_\_\_



**MY COMMISSION EXPIRES**  
January 20, 2020