

IN THE TENNESSEE COURT OF THE JUDICIARY

IN RE: THE HONORABLE JAMES TAYLOR GENERAL SESSIONS JUDGE HAWKINS COUNTY, TENNESSEE

FILED

Docket No. M2011-00706-CJ-CJ-CJ

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Clerk of the Courts

File Nos. 10-4293, 10-4322, 10-4382

REQUEST FOR ADMISSIONS

COMES NOW Timothy R. Discenza, Disciplinary Counsel for the Tennessee Court of the Judiciary, pursuant to Tennessee Rule of Civil Procedure 36, and propounds the following request for admissions to Honorable James Taylor:

1. That you were at all times relevant herein (as described in the original and amended Complaints in this action), either a part time Juvenile Judge or a full time Judge of the General Sessions Court of Cocke County, Tennessee, as described in TCA Section 16-15-502.

RESPONSE:

2. That at all times relevant to the Complaint or amended Complaint filed in this action, the Judicial Canons of Ethics or Code of Judicial Conduct applied to you.

RESPONSE:

3. That on or about June 30th, 2008, that you, James Taylor, while holding a position as a part time Juvenile Court Judge in Hawkins County, Tennessee, received in excess of nine thousand dollars (\$9,000.00) from a client, Julie Rasmussen, which you indicated to her would be invested by you, for her and on her behalf.

RESPONSE:

4. That you, James Taylor, while a Juvenile Court Judge, and later while a General Sessions Judge of Hawkins County, Tennessee filed claims with the Tennessee Administrative Office of the Courts, claiming payment for services as appointed counsel in cases in which you performed no legal services.

RESPONSE:

5. That you, James Taylor, while a Juvenile Court Judge of Hawkins County, Tennessee collected funds as a result of representing to the public that he was organizing a "Citizens' Heritage Display", a monument that you represented would be displayed in the local courthouse, and that you did you not use said funds for said display.

RESPONSE:

6. That you, James Taylor acted as the Judge in matters before the General Sessions Court of Hawkins County, Tennessee, in cases that came before said court, and then filed claims for the same cases with the Tennessee Administrative Office of the Courts, claiming payment for services as appointed counsel.

RESPONSE:

Dated: February 27, 2012

Timothy R. Discenza #008716 ' Disciplinary Counsel Tennessee Court of the Judiciary P.O. Box 50356 Memphis, Tennessee 37205

By: Patrick J. McHale, # 004643 Assistant Disciplinary Counsel Tennessee Court of the Judiciary

Certificate of Service

I certify that a true and exact copy of the foregoing Proof of Service was mailed or delivered to Honorable James Taylor, Juvenile Court Judge, Hawkins County Tennessee, 115 Justice Center Dr., Rogersville, TN 37857 on this the $\frac{27}{2}$ day of February, 2012.

Patrick J. McHale