

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF DISCIPLINARY APPEALS
APPOINTED BY
THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS**

IN THE MATTER OF	§	
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CASSIDY ANN TEATER,	§	CAUSE NO. 64721
	§	
STATE BAR CARD NO. 24080044	§	

DEFAULT JUDGMENT OF DISBARMENT

On the 23rd day of October 2020, the above-styled and numbered disciplinary action was called for hearing before the Board of Disciplinary Appeals. Petitioner, the Commission for Lawyer Discipline, appeared by attorney and announced ready. Respondent, Cassidy Ann Teater, although duly cited to appear, failed to answer or appear and wholly made default. All questions of fact and all issues of law were submitted to the Board of Disciplinary Appeals for determination. Having considered the pleadings on file, having received evidence, and having heard the argument of counsel, the Board of Disciplinary Appeals is of the opinion that Petitioner is entitled to entry of the following findings and orders:

Findings of Fact. The Board of Disciplinary Appeals finds that:

- (1) Respondent, Cassidy Ann Teater, State Bar Card Number 24080044, is licensed and authorized to practice law in the State of Texas by the Supreme Court of Texas.
- (2) On or about January 27, 2020, an Order of Enforcement was entered in the Supreme Court of Tennessee at Nashville in a matter styled *In Re: Cassidy Teater, An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Kentucky and Texas*, No. M2020-00101-SC-BAR-BP, BOPR No. 2019-2987-0-AJ, which states in pertinent part as follows:

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

- (1) Ms. Teater is prohibited from the practice of law in the courts of the

State of Tennessee. This prohibition is tantamount to disbarment pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.1. See Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 9.1.

- (3) On or about February 20, 2020, the Supreme Court of Kentucky issued an Opinion and Order which states in pertinent part as follows:

. . . On September 25, 2019, the Supreme Court of Tennessee prohibited Teater from practicing law in the state of Tennessee. This prohibition is tantamount to disbarment. Thereafter, the Kentucky Bar Association (KBA) filed a petition with this Court asking that we impose reciprocal discipline pursuant to SCR 3.435. We ordered Teater to show cause why we should not impose such discipline, and she failed to respond to that order. Because Teater failed to show cause as to why we should not impose reciprocal discipline, this Court hereby disbars her from the practice of law, as consistent with the order of the Supreme Court of Tennessee.

- (4) Respondent, Cassidy Ann Teater, is the same person as Cassidy Teater, who is the subject of the Orders described above.

Conclusions of Law. Based upon the foregoing findings of fact the Board of Disciplinary

Appeals makes the following conclusions of law:

- (1) This Board has jurisdiction to hear and determine this matter. TEX. RULES DISCIPLINARY P. R. 7.08(H).
- (2) Reciprocal discipline identical, to the extent practicable, to that imposed by the Supreme Court of Tennessee and the Supreme Court of Kentucky is warranted in this case.

It is, accordingly, **ORDERED, ADJUDGED,** and **DECREED** that Respondent, Cassidy Ann Teater, State Bar Card No. 24080044, be and is hereby **DISBARRED** from the practice of law in the State of Texas and her license to practice law in this state be and is hereby revoked.

It is further **ORDERED, ADJUDGED,** and **DECREED** that Respondent, Cassidy Ann Teater, is prohibited from practicing law in Texas, holding herself out as an attorney at law, performing any legal services for others, accepting any fee directly or indirectly for legal services, appearing as counsel or in any representative capacity in any proceeding in any Texas court or

before any administrative body or holding herself out to others or using her name, in any manner, in conjunction with the words “attorney at law,” “attorney,” “counselor at law,” or “lawyer.”

It is further **ORDERED** that Respondent shall immediately notify each of her current clients in writing of this disbarment. In addition to such notification, Respondent is **ORDERED** to return any files, papers, unearned monies, and other property, which belongs to clients and former clients and is in Respondent’s possession or control, to the respective clients or former clients or to another attorney at the client’s or former client’s request. Respondent is further **ORDERED** to file with the State Bar of Texas, Chief Disciplinary Counsel’s Office, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, TX 78711-2487 (1414 Colorado St., Austin, TX 78701) within thirty (30) days of the signing of this judgment by the Board, an affidavit stating that all current clients have been notified of Respondent’s disbarment and that all files, papers, monies, and other property belonging to all clients and former clients have been returned as ordered herein.

It is further **ORDERED** that Respondent shall, on or before thirty (30) days from the signing of this judgment by the Board, notify in writing each and every justice of the peace, judge, magistrate, administrative judge or officer, and chief justice of each and every court or tribunal in which Respondent has any matter pending of the terms of this judgment, the style and cause number of the pending matter(s), and the name, address, and telephone number of the client(s) Respondent is representing. Respondent is further **ORDERED** to file with the State Bar of Texas, Chief Disciplinary Counsel’s Office, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, TX 78711-2487 (1414 Colorado St., Austin, TX 78701) within thirty (30) days of the signing of this judgment by the Board, an affidavit stating that each and every justice of the peace, judge, magistrate, administrative judge or officer, and chief justice has received written notice of the terms of this judgment.

It is further **ORDERED** that Respondent, Cassidy Ann Teater, immediately surrender her Texas law license and permanent State Bar Card to the Statewide Compliance Monitor, Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711, for transmittal to the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Texas.

It is further **ORDERED** that a certified copy of the Petition for Reciprocal Discipline on file herein, along with a copy of this Judgment, be sent to the Chief Disciplinary Counsel of the State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, Texas 78711.

Signed this 27th day of October 2020.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tom Giles". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

CHAIR PRESIDING
BOARD OF DISCIPLINARY APPEALS