

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA STATE BAR DISCIPLINARY BOARD

**IN THE MATTERS OF
BRENT ALAN JACKSON**

**VSb DOCKET NOS. 26-032-136459,
26-032-136675 and 26-032-136684**

CONSENT TO REVOCATION ORDER

On August 25, 2026, came Brent Alan Jackson (“Respondent”) and presented to the Board an Affidavit Declaring Consent to Revocation (hereinafter “Affidavit”) of his license to practice law in the courts of this Commonwealth. By tendering his Consent to Revocation at a time when a disciplinary complaint, Investigation or Proceeding is pending, the nature of which is specifically set forth in the attached Affidavit, the Respondent acknowledges that the material facts contained in the pending disciplinary complaint, Investigation or Proceeding are true.

The Board having considered the Affidavit, and Bar Counsel having no objection, the Board accepts his Consent to Revocation.

Upon consideration whereof, it is therefore ordered that Brent Alan Jackson’s license to practice law in the courts of this Commonwealth be and the same hereby is revoked, and that the name of Brent Alan Jackson be stricken from the Roll of Attorneys of this Commonwealth.

It is further **ORDERED** that the Respondent must comply with the requirements of Part Six, Section IV, Paragraph 13-29 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Virginia. The Respondent shall forthwith give notice by certified mail of the Revocation of his license to practice law in the Commonwealth of Virginia, to all clients for whom he is currently handling matters and to all opposing Attorneys and presiding Judges in pending litigation. The Respondent shall also make appropriate arrangements for the disposition of matters then in his care in conformity with the wishes of his clients. The Respondent shall give such notice immediately and in no event later than

fourteen (14) days of the effective date of the Revocation, and make such arrangements as are required herein as soon as is practicable and in no event later than forty-five (45) days of the effective date of the Revocation. The Respondent shall also furnish proof to the Clerk of the Disciplinary System of the Virginia State Bar within sixty (60) days of the effective date of the Revocation that such notices have been timely given, and such arrangements have been made for the disposition of matters.

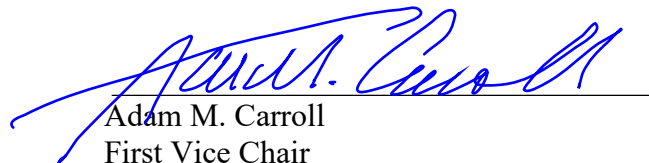
It is further **ORDERED** that if the Respondent is not handling any client matters on the effective date of the Revocation, he shall submit an affidavit to that effect within sixty (60) days of the effective date of the Revocation to the Clerk at the Virginia State Bar. The Board shall decide all issues concerning the adequacy of the notice and arrangements required herein. The burden of proof shall be on the Respondent to show compliance.

It is further **ORDERED** that pursuant to Part Six, Section IV, Paragraph 13-9.E, of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Virginia, the Clerk shall assess all costs against the Respondent.

It is further **ORDERED** that an attested copy of this Order be mailed by the Clerk to the Respondent by electronic, first-class, and certified mail, return receipt requested to his address of record with the Virginia State Bar, being Brent A. Jackson & Associates PC, 10941 Lansdowne Ct., Midlothian, VA 23113-1364, and a copy by electronic mail to James W. Walker, Respondent's Counsel, and a copy by electronic mail to Renu M. Brennan, Bar Counsel.

ENTERED THIS 25th DAY OF AUGUST, 2026

VIRGINIA STATE BAR DISCIPLINARY BOARD


Adam M. Carroll
First Vice Chair

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AFFIDAVIT DECLARING CONSENT TO REVOCATION

I, Brent Alan Jackson, after being duly sworn, state as follows:

I was licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Virginia in 1983.

I submit this Affidavit Declaring Consent to Revocation pursuant to Part 6. Section IV, Paragraph 13-28 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Virginia.

My consent to revocation is freely and voluntarily rendered. I am not being subjected to coercion or duress, and counsel of my own choosing assisted me in preparing this Affidavit Declaring Consent to Revocation. I am fully aware of the implications of consenting to the revocation of my license to practice law in the Commonwealth of Virginia and this affidavit is being submitted solely for this purpose.

I am aware that there are pending against me three bar complaints and investigations before the Third District Committee of the Virginia State Bar:

(1) VSB Docket No. 26-032-136675, which was opened by the Virginia State Bar based on a letter from Judge Henry Hudson before whom I was defending "MT" on criminal charges in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Richmond Division (hereinafter the "MT" matter);

(2) VSB Docket No. 26-031-136684, which was opened by the Virginia State Bar upon receipt of information from Wendy Hannah, Commonwealth's Attorney for the County of Cumberland, relating to my representation of QN (hereinafter the "QN" matter); and

(3) VSB Docket No. 26-032-136459, which was opened on a complaint filed by TP (hereinafter the "TP" matter).

I stipulate that the facts below are true for all three matters, and that I violated the Virginia Rules of Professional Conduct as set forth below. Specifically, in all three matters:

**STIPULATIONS OF FACT AND VIOLATIONS OF VIRGINIA RULE OF
PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT IN VSB DOCKET NOS. VSB 26-032-136675, 26-032-136684,
AND 26-032-136459**

1. I used non-refundable fee provisions, contrary to Legal Ethics Opinion 1606, which was approved by the Supreme Court of Virginia on November 2, 2016. I acknowledge that the use of such provisions was improper. I acknowledge further I have been previously disciplined for my fee agreements and the handling of my fees, and as a term of discipline in 2009, I read, and I certified to the bar that I read, Legal Ethics Opinion 1606 and watched a CLE regarding fee agreements. Notwithstanding the fact that I read and should have known that non-refundable fees are impermissible in Virginia, I continued to treat portions of my advanced legal fees as non-refundable.

2. I failed to deposit advanced legal fees from my clients, including \$75,000 received from MT, into an identifiable trust account, as required by Rule 1.15(a)(1). I acknowledge this failure. At the time in question, I believed that the account in which the deposit was made was an escrow account. I acknowledge further that I have been previously disciplined for my failure to deposit fees in a trust account including in 2009 and 2015, and as a result of other disciplinary sanctions, I have been required to, and did, receive mentoring and law

office management assistance and was required to read Lawyers and Other People's Money. Notwithstanding my prior discipline and all of the terms imposed as part of those agreed sanctions, and notwithstanding that I knew and know that I am required to deposit client funds in a trust account, I did not open a trust account or deposit any of these clients' advanced legal fees in a trust account.

3. Notwithstanding my prior discipline and terms imposed as part of those agreed sanctions, with which I certified compliance, I failed to maintain the trust account records required by Rule 1.15(c) and adopt the trust accounting procedures required by Rule 1.15(d).

4. I charged each client in these matters an advanced fixed legal fee and knew, from a private reprimand in 2015 that I am required to have a written fee agreement with benchmarks in order to disburse portions of the advanced fixed legal fee to myself prior to the termination of the representation. Notwithstanding my knowledge and my prior private reprimand, I did not include any benchmarks in the respective written fee agreements, and in each case, I disbursed advanced fixed legal fees to myself prior to the fee being earned and prior to termination of the representation. With respect to the MT matter specifically, I deposited the \$75,000 into an account that I believed was a trust account. I disbursed the \$75,000 before the termination of the representation, in part to pay Vaughan Jones. My fee agreement with MT included a provision that stated that \$25,000 of the \$75,000 was non-refundable, and I did not include any benchmarks in my fee agreement with MT. I ultimately refunded MT \$25,000, that I had described as "non-refundable" of the \$75,000 advanced legal fee.

VSB DOCKET NO. 26-032-136675/MT – ADDITIONAL STIPULATIONS OF FACT AND MISCONDUCT

1. I acknowledge that I violated Rule 5.5(b). From 2022 to 2025, I worked with Vaughan Jones and transitioned clients to him. During this time period, I gave up my office space and, on occasion, worked out of Mr. Jones' office with my staff. Also, during this period, I paid Mr. Jones for work that he did on my cases that I was handling. In or about the first week or two of January 2025, I learned that during the time that we worked on matters together as described, Mr. Jones procedurally defaulted on an appeal for one of his own clients and did not inform the client or seek a delayed appeal on the client's behalf. At a disciplinary hearing held on January 24, 2025, the Virginia State Bar Disciplinary Board announced its decision to suspend Mr. Jones's license to practice law for a year and a day because of Mr. Jones' misconduct. At Mr. Jones's request, the Suspension took effect March 1, 2025. Prior to his Suspension, in late November 2024, Mr. Jones began representing MT in a criminal case in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia. Mr. Jones was working on this case during the time period of our affiliation. In February 2025, I was substituted as counsel for MT. After substituting in as MT's counsel, I allowed Mr. Jones to continue to work on MT's case. His work included (i) meeting alone with MT at the jail several times; (ii) being present with me and the AUSA for a reverse proffer meeting; (iii) reviewing the government's proposed plea agreement and statement of facts; (iv) meeting alone with MT to review the proposed revisions to proposed plea agreement and statement of facts, which I reviewed beforehand; and (v) providing recommendations to me for edits on the statement of facts, many of which (those that met my standard of care) I proposed to the AUSA.

2. I now understand that I could either employ Mr. Jones in a non-lawyer role without taking over any of his cases or take over some of his cases without employing him in any capacity. I did both, and I violated Rule 5.5(b) in doing so. Before agreeing to allow Mr. Jones to work for me following the Suspension, I directed Mr. Jones to consult with Craig Cooley regarding the permissible scope of his work. Mr. Cooley advised Mr. Jones and me that Mr. Jones could perform non-lawyer work in my practice, provided he did not engage in the practice of law. That guidance, while incomplete as applied to the combined circumstances and while directly contradicted by the language of the Rule itself, was the basis on which I proceeded. I acknowledge the violation and do not offer this context as an excuse, but as an explanation of the good faith in which I acted.

I submit this Affidavit and hereby consent to the revocation of my license to practice law in the Commonwealth of Virginia because I know that if the disciplinary proceedings based on the alleged misconduct were prosecuted to a conclusion I could not successfully defend them. I do so freely, voluntarily, and with a full understanding of the consequences of this consent. I acknowledge the seriousness of the violations described herein, accept responsibility for them.

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Given under my hand this ____ day of July, 2026.


Brent Alan Jackson, Respondent

Commonwealth of Virginia

City/County of Richmond to wit:

The foregoing Affidavit Declaring Consent to Revocation was acknowledged, sworn and
subscribed to before me by Brent Alan Jackson on this 20th day of July, 2026.


Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 01-31-2030

