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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: SHARON K. ANDERSON, BPR #14584**  
**CONTACT: KRISANN HODGES**  
**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**  
**615-361-7500**

January 21, 2014

**SHELBY COUNTY ATTORNEY SUSPENDED**

On January 21, 2014, the Tennessee Supreme Court suspended the law license of Sharon K. Anderson, pursuant to Section 22 of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9. The Court suspended Ms. Anderson's law license based upon her entry of a guilty plea to a serious crime, i.e., fraudulent transmission of money in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2314.

The Supreme Court further ordered the Board of Professional Responsibility to institute a formal proceeding to determine the extent of final discipline to be imposed as a result of the conviction.

This suspension shall remain in effect until it is dissolved or amended by order of the Supreme Court of Tennessee.

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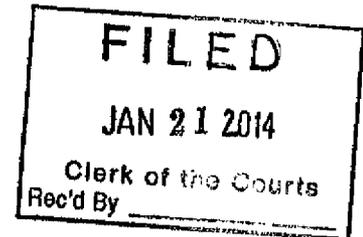
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE  
AT NASHVILLE

**IN RE: SHARON K. ANDERSON, BPR #14584**  
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee  
(Shelby County)

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No. M2014-00098-SC-BAR-BP  
BOPR No. 2014-2286-9-KH(14)  
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**ORDER**

This matter is before the Court pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 14, upon a certificate filed by Disciplinary Counsel for the Board of Professional Responsibility consisting of a certified copy of the Plea Agreement in the United States District Court for the Western District of Tennessee, Western Division, in the matter of *United States of America v. Sharon K. Anderson* (attached as Exhibit A) demonstrating that Sharon K. Anderson, a Tennessee attorney, has pled guilty to a serious crime, i.e., fraudulent transmission of money in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2314.

It is therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that:

1. Sharon K. Anderson is suspended from the practice of law on this date pending further orders of this Court, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 22 (as amended effective January 1, 2014);

2. This matter shall be referred to the Board of Professional Responsibility for the institution of a formal proceeding in which the sole issue to be determined shall be the extent of the final discipline to be imposed as a result of the conviction by the Guilty Plea;

3. Sharon K. Anderson shall fully comply with the provisions of Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28, concerning disbarred or suspended attorneys; and

4. The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this suspension to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.

FOR THE COURT:

Cornelia A. Clark  
CORNELIA A. CLARK, JUSTICE

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE  
WESTERN DIVISION

FILED IN OPEN COURT  
DATE: 9-26-13  
TIME: \_\_\_\_\_  
INITIALS: [Signature]

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, \*  
  
Plaintiff, \*  
  
v. \*  
  
SHARON K. ANDERSON, \*  
  
Defendant. \*

2:13-cr-20308-SHM  
Cr. No. 13-I-28

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PLEA AGREEMENT

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The defendant, Sharon K. Anderson, (the "Defendant") represented by Leslie I. Ballin; and the United States (also referred to as the "Government"), represented by John D. Fabian, Assistant United States Attorney; have reached the following plea agreement that constitutes the entire agreement between the parties. Any issues not specifically addressed by this plea agreement shall be resolved by the Court in accordance with the applicable statutes, guidelines, rules and case law.

1. The Defendant agrees:
  - a. To waive her right to trial by jury and enter a voluntary plea of guilty to the Information charging her with fraudulent transmission of money in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2314;
  - b. That she is pleading guilty freely and voluntarily because he is guilty;
  - c. That except with respect to claims of ineffective assistance of counsel or prosecutorial misconduct, she waives her rights to challenge the sufficiency or the voluntariness of her guilty plea on direct appeal or in any collateral attack;
  - d. That, acknowledging that Title 18, United States Code, Section 3742 gives her the right to appeal the sentence imposed by the Court, the Defendant knowingly and voluntarily waives her right to appeal any sentence imposed by the Court and the manner in which the sentence

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY  
BY THOMAS M. GOULD, CLERK  
DEPUTY CLERK  
*[Signature]*

Exhibit A

is determined as long as the sentence is within the advisory guideline range or below;

- e. That she has discussed the appeal waiver set forth in this agreement with her attorney and further agrees, together with the United States, to request that the Court enter a specific finding that the Defendant's waiver of her right to appeal the sentence to be imposed in this case was knowing and voluntary;
- f. To pay the \$100 mandatory special assessment for the count to which she is pleading guilty to the United States District Court Clerk following entry of her guilty plea, and to provide counsel for the United States with evidence of payment prior to sentencing; and
- g. That this plea agreement constitutes the entire agreement between herself and the United States.

2. The United States agrees:

- a. To dismiss the indictment in Criminal Case No. 13-20005 after the Defendant is sentenced on the Information charging her with a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2314.
- b. To recommend the maximum reduction as set forth by United States Sentencing Guidelines Section 3E1.1 if the Defendant: (1) continues to demonstrate an acceptance of responsibility up until, and including, the time of sentencing; and (2) does not receive any enhancement for obstruction of justice.
- c. That the Defendant may withdraw this guilty plea if the Court rejects the Parties' agreements set forth at Paragraphs 3(a) and 3(b).

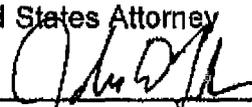
3. The Parties agree that:

- a. It is the Parties' understanding that, for purposes of United States Sentencing Guidelines Section 2B1.1(b)(1), the loss in the case does not exceed \$200,000. Based on this understanding, the Parties agree that the loss in this case does not exceed \$200,000; and
- b. Because of the temporal distance between the conduct charged in Criminal Case No. 13-20005 and the conduct charged in the Information to which the Defendant is pleading guilty, and because of the different nature of the conduct charged in Criminal Case No. 13-20005 and the conduct charged in the Information to which the Defendant is pleading guilty; the conduct in Criminal Case No. 13-20005 is not relevant conduct for purposes of the Defendant's sentencing on the conduct charged in the Information.

4. The Defendant acknowledges that she has been advised and fully understands that if the Government determines that the Defendant has committed or attempted to commit any additional criminal offense or engaged in any conduct that obstructs or impedes justice or fails to make any court appearance in this case, from the date of the Defendant's signing of this plea agreement to the date of the Defendant's sentencing, or if the Defendant attempts to withdraw this plea, the Government would be released from all obligations in this agreement. Such conduct by the Defendant would not release the Defendant from this plea of guilty.
5. By signing this document, the Defendant acknowledges that she has read this agreement and/or has had the agreement read to her, has discussed it with her attorney, and understands it.

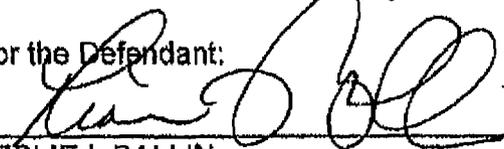
For the United States:

EDWARD L. STANTON, III  
United States Attorney

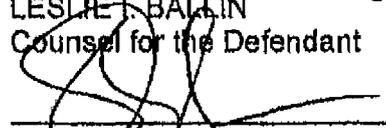
  
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John D. Fabian  
Assistant United States Attorney

9/26/13  
Date

For the Defendant:

  
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LESLIE T. BALLIN  
Counsel for the Defendant

9.26.13  
Date

  
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SHARON K. ANDERSON  
Defendant

9/26/13  
Date