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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: ELBERT JEFFERSON, JR., BPR #14907
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July 17, 2014

SHELBY COUNTY LAWYER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

On July 14, 2014, the Supreme Court of Tennessee temporarily suspended Elbert Jefferson, Jr., from the practice of law upon finding that Mr. Jefferson has failed to respond to the Board regarding a complaint of misconduct. Section 4.3 of Supreme Court Rule 9 provides for the immediate summary suspension of an attorney's license to practice law in cases of an attorney's failure to respond to the Board regarding a complaint of misconduct.

Effective July 14, 2014, Mr. Jefferson is precluded from accepting any new cases and he must cease representing existing clients by August 13, 2014. After August 13, 2014, Mr. Jefferson shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

Mr. Jefferson must notify all clients being represented in pending matters, as well as co-counsel and opposing counsel of the Supreme Court's Order suspending his law license. Section 18 of Supreme Court Rule 9 requires Mr. Jefferson to deliver to all clients any papers or property to which they are entitled.

This suspension remains in effect until dissolution or modification by the Supreme Court. Mr. Jefferson may for good cause request dissolution or modification of the suspension by petition to the Supreme Court.

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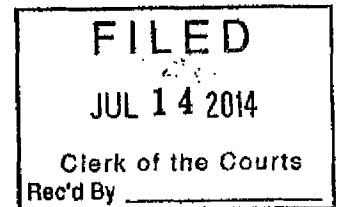
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: ELBERT JEFFERSON, JR., BPR #14907
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Shelby County)

No. M2014-01308-SC-BAR-BP
BOPR No. 2014-2334-9-AJ(4.3)



ORDER OF TEMPORARY SUSPENSION

This matter is before the Court on a Petition of the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Supreme Court of Tennessee, by and through Disciplinary Counsel, for the temporary suspension of Elbert Jefferson, Jr. from the practice of law, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.3.¹ The Petition has been authorized by the Chair of the Board of Professional Responsibility and is supported by the affidavit of Preston Shipp, Disciplinary Counsel.

Based upon the Petition and the supporting Affidavit, the Court finds that Elbert Jefferson, Jr, Respondent, has failed to respond to the Board of Professional Responsibility concerning a complaint of misconduct.

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

1. Elbert Jefferson, Jr. is hereby temporarily suspended from the practice of law as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.3.
2. Elbert Jefferson, Jr. shall comply with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9 in all respects and particularly as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18.
3. Elbert Jefferson, Jr. may make application for dissolution or modification of this Order as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.3.
4. The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this suspension of Elbert Jefferson, Jr. to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18.10.

FOR THE COURT:

Cornelia A. Clark
CORNELIA A. CLARK, JUSTICE

¹Because this case was initiated prior to January 1, 2014, it is governed by the pre-2014 version of Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9.