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MEMPHIS LAWYER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

On August 6, 2008, the Supreme Court of Tennessee issued an Order summarily and temporarily suspending Tony N. Brayton=s license to practice law upon finding that Mr. Brayton 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. Disciplinary Counsel filed a petition with the Supreme Court alleging that Mr. Brayton had failed to respond to the Board regarding a complaint of misconduct.

The August 6, 2008 Order precludes Mr. Brayton from accepting any new cases effective August 6, 2008. Mr. Brayton must cease representing existing clients effective September 5, 2008. After September 5, 2008, Mr. Brayton shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

The Order requires Mr. Brayton to notify by registered or certified mail 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. Brayton 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. Brayton may for good cause request dissolution or modification of the suspension by petition to the Supreme Court.

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