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NASHVILLE LAWYER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

On April 2, 2013, the Supreme Court of Tennessee temporarily suspended the law license of John E. Clemmons upon finding that Mr. Clemmons misappropriated funds to his own use and that his continued practice of law poses a threat of substantial harm to the public. Section 4.3 of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9 provides for the immediate summary suspension of an attorney's license to practice law in cases where it has been demonstrated that the attorney has misappropriated funds and poses a threat of substantial harm to the public.

Effective April 2, 2013, Mr. Clemmons is precluded from accepting any new cases and he must cease representing existing clients by May 2, 2013. After May 2, 2013, Mr. Clemmons shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

Mr. Clemmons 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. Clemmons 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. Clemmons may for good cause request dissolution or modification of the suspension by petition to the Supreme Court.

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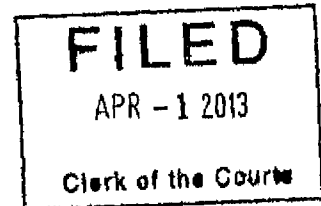
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: JOHN E. CLEMMONS, #18354
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Davidson County)

No. **M2013-00787-SC-BPR-BP**
BOPR File No. 2013-2196-5-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 John E. Clemmons from the practice of law, pursuant to Section 4.3 of Supreme Court Rule 9. The Petition has been authorized by the Chair of the Board of Professional Responsibility and is supported by the affidavit of Elizabeth C. Garber, Disciplinary Counsel and Clerk and Master of the John A.W. Bratcher, Rutherford County Chancery Court.

Based upon the Petition and the supporting Affidavits, the Court finds that John E. Clemmons has misappropriated funds and his continued practice of law poses a threat of substantial harm to the public.

IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Court that:

1. John E. Clemmons is hereby temporarily suspended from the practice of law as provided in Section 4.3 of Supreme Court Rule 9.
2. John E. Clemmons shall comply with Supreme Court Rule 9 in all respects, and particularly as provided in Section 18.
3. John E. Clemmons may make application for dissolution or modification of this Order as provided in Supreme Court Rule 9.

4. The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this suspension of John E. Clemmons to be published as required by Supreme Court Rule 9.

FOR THE COURT:

Cornelia A. Clark
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JUSTICE