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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: DAPHNE MICHELLE DAVIS, BPR #028128
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September 21, 2018

DAVIDSON COUNTY LAWYER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

On September 21, 2018, the Supreme Court of Tennessee temporarily suspended Daphne Michelle Davis from the practice of law upon finding that Ms. Davis failed to respond to the Board regarding a complaint of misconduct. Section 12.3 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.

Ms. Davis is immediately precluded from accepting any new cases, and she must cease representing existing clients by October 21, 2018. After October 21, 2018, Ms. Davis shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

Ms. Davis must notify all clients being represented in pending matters, as well as co-counsel and opposing counsel of the Supreme Court's Order suspending her law license. Ms. Davis is required 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. Ms. Davis may for good cause request dissolution or modification of the suspension by petition to the Supreme Court.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: DAPHNE MICHELLE DAVIS, BPR #028128
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Davidson County)

No. M2018-01723-SC-BAR-BP
BOPR No. 2018-2913-5-AJ-12.3

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 Daphne Michelle Davis from the practice of law, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.3. The Petition has been authorized by the Chair of the Board of Professional Responsibility and is supported by the Affidavit of Kevin D. Balkwill, Disciplinary Counsel.

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

IT IS THEREFORE, CONSIDERED, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED BY THE COURT THAT:

1. Daphne Michelle Davis is hereby temporarily suspended from the practice of law as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.3.
2. Daphne Michelle Davis shall comply with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9 in all respects and particularly as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28, regarding the responsibilities of suspended attorneys.
3. Daphne Michelle Davis may make application for dissolution or modification of this Order as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.3.
4. The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this suspension of Daphne Michelle Davis to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.11.

PER CURIAM