

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

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Clerk of the
Appellate Courts

IN RE: CHARLES DAVID DEAS, BPR #002049
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Blount County)

No. M2020-01376-SC-BAR-BP
BOPR No. 2020-3129-2-AW-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 Charles David Deas from the practice of law, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.3 or the transfer to disability inactive status Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 27.3. The Petition was authorized by the Chair of the Board of Professional Responsibility and is supported by the information reported by the Circuit and General Sessions Courts of Blount County, Tennessee.

Based upon the Petition, the Court finds Charles David Deas poses a threat of substantial harm to the public as detailed by the information set forth in Exhibit 1. The Court further finds that the information provided raises a substantial concern regarding Mr. Deas' current ability to practice of law.

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

1. Charles David Deas is hereby temporarily suspended from the practice of law as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.3. Mr. Deas shall, within ten (10) days of the entry of this order, contact the Tennessee Lawyers Assistance Program (TLAP) and submit to an evaluation by TLAP or its designee for the purpose of assessing his current physical or mental condition and its impact upon his ability to practice law. The results of any assessment shall be made available to the Board.

2. Charles David Deas shall comply with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9 in all respects and particularly as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, §§ 28 and 30.

3. Charles David Deas 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 Charles David Deas to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.11.

PER CURIAM