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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
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CARROLL COUNTY LAWYER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

On August 16, 2018, the Supreme Court of Tennessee temporarily suspended Benjamin S. Dempsey from the practice of law upon finding that Mr. Dempsey misappropriated funds and poses a threat of substantial harm to the public. Section 12.3 of Supreme Court, Rule 9, provides for the immediate temporary suspension of an attorney's license to practice law in cases of an attorney's misappropriation of funds.

Mr. Dempsey is immediately precluded from accepting any new cases, and he must cease representing existing clients by September 15, 2018. After September 15, 2018, Mr. Dempsey shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

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

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