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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: MARK STEVEN GRAHAM, BPR #011505
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March 11, 2020

KNOX COUNTY LAWYER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

On March 11, 2020, the Supreme Court of Tennessee temporarily suspended Mark Steven Graham from the practice of law upon finding that Mr. Graham misappropriated funds and poses a threat of substantial harm to the public. Section 12.3 of Supreme Court Rule 9 provides for the immediate summary suspension of an attorney's license to practice law if an attorney poses a threat of substantial harm to the public.

Mr. Graham is immediately precluded from accepting any new cases, and he must cease representing existing clients by April 10, 2020. After April 10, 2020, Mr. Graham shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

Mr. Graham 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. Graham is required to deliver to all clients any papers or property to which they are entitled.

Mr. Graham must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 28 and 12.3(d), regarding the obligations and responsibilities of temporarily suspended attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement.

This suspension remains in effect until dissolution or modification by the Supreme Court. Mr. Graham may for good cause request dissolution or modification of the suspension by petition to the Supreme Court.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

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IN RE: MARK STEVEN GRAHAM, BPR #011505
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Knox County)

No. M2020-00398-SC-BAR-BP
BOPR No. 2020-3082-2-TL-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 Mark Steven Graham 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 Marcy E. Shelton, Disciplinary Counsel.

Based upon the Petition and the supporting Affidavit, the Court finds that Mark Steven Graham, Respondent, has misappropriated funds and poses a threat of substantial harm to the public as detailed by the Affidavit of Disciplinary Counsel.

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

1. Mark Steven Graham is hereby temporarily suspended from the practice of law as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.3.
2. Mark Steven Graham 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. Mark Steven Graham 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 Mark Steven Graham to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.11.

PER CURIAM