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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: BRIAN PHILLIP MANOOKIAN, BPR #026455**  
**CONTACT: WILLIAM C. MOODY**  
**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**  
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September 21, 2018

**DAVIDSON COUNTY LAWYER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED**

On September 21, 2018, the Supreme Court of Tennessee temporarily suspended Brian Phillip Manookian from the practice of law upon finding that Mr. Manookian 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. Manookian is immediately precluded from accepting any new cases, and he must cease representing existing clients by October 21, 2018. After October 21, 2018, Mr. Manookian shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

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

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**IN RE: BRIAN PHILLIP MANOOKIAN, BPR #026455**  
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee  
(Davidson County)

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**No. M2018-01711-SC-BAR-BP**  
BOPR No. 2018-2914-5-WM-12.3

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**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 Brian Phillip Manookian 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 exhibits attached thereto.

Based upon the Petition and the supporting exhibits, the Court finds that Brian Phillip Manookian, Respondent, poses a threat of substantial harm to the public as detailed by the exhibits to the Petition.

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

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

PER CURIAM