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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: APRIL REBECCA MIMS, BPR #31527**  
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**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**  
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December 20, 2013

**HENDERSON COUNTY LAWYER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED**

On December 20, 2013, the Supreme Court of Tennessee temporarily suspended April Rebecca Mims from the practice of law upon finding that Ms. Mims has failed to substantially comply with a monitoring agreement with the Tennessee Lawyers Assistance Program (TLAP). Section 4.3 of Supreme Court Rule 9 provides for the immediate summary suspension of an attorney's license to practice law if the attorney fails to substantially comply with a TLAP monitoring agreement.

Effective December 20, 2013, Ms. Mims is precluded from accepting any new cases and she must cease representing existing clients by January 19, 2014. After January 19, 2014, Ms. Mims shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

Ms. Mims 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. Section 18 of Supreme Court Rule 9 requires Ms. Mims 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. Mims may for good cause request dissolution or modification of the suspension by petition to the Supreme Court.

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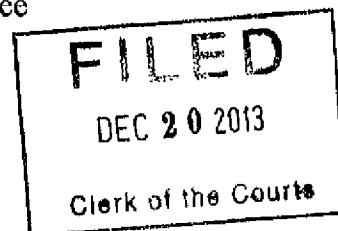
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE  
AT NASHVILLE

**IN RE: APRIL REBECCA MIMS, BPR #31527**

An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee  
(Henderson County)

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No. M2013-02776-SC-BAR-BP  
BOPR No. 2013-2276-7-KH(4.3)  
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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 April Rebecca Mims from the practice of law, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.3. The Petition has been authorized by the Chair of the Board of Professional Responsibility and is supported by the affidavit of Laura McClendon, Executive Director for the Tennessee Lawyer's Assistance Program ("TLAP").

Based upon the Petition and the supporting Affidavit, the Court finds that April Rebecca Mims has failed to substantially comply with a TLAP monitoring agreement.

It is therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that:

1. April Rebecca Mims is hereby temporarily suspended from the practice of law as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.3.
2. April Rebecca Mims shall comply with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9 in all respects and particularly as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18.
3. April Rebecca Mims may make application for dissolution or modification of this Order as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.3.
4. The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this suspension of April Rebecca Mims to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18.10.

FOR THE COURT:

Cornelia A. Clark  
CORNELIA A. CLARK, JUSTICE