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ATTORNEY TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

On May 22, 2012, the Supreme Court of Tennessee temporarily suspended the law license of Mark Kelley Braswell, an attorney licensed in Tennessee with an office in Washington, D.C., pursuant to Section 4.3 of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9. The Board of Professional Responsibility petitioned the Court to temporarily suspend Mr. Braswell's law license due to his failure to respond to a complaint of ethical misconduct.

Effective May 22, 2012, Mr. Braswell is precluded from accepting any new cases and he must cease representing existing clients by June 21, 2012. After June 21, 2012, Mr. Braswell shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

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

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE AT NASHVILLE

IN RE MARK KELLEY BRASWELL, BPR #015787

An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee (District of Columbia)

No. M2012-00980-SC-BPR-BP

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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 Mark Kelley Braswell 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 A. Russell Willis, Disciplinary Counsel.

Based upon the Petition and the supporting Affidavit, the Court finds that Mark Kelley Braswell has failed to respond to the Board of Professional Responsibility concerning a complaint of misconduct.

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

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

FOR THE COURT:

WILLIAM C. KOCH, JR., JUSTICE