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RE: ROBERT E. NICHOLS, REG. NO. 11084
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KNOXVILLE LAWYER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED BY SUPREME COURT

By Order of the Supreme Court of Tennessee filed July 27, 2007, Robert E. Nichols' license to practice law was temporarily suspended, pursuant to Rules of the Supreme Court of Tennessee, upon a finding that Mr. Nichols poses a threat of irreparable harm to the public.

Mr. Nichols may continue to represent existing clients for thirty days. Mr. Nichols must cease representing all clients effective August 27, 2007, and may not accept new cases following that date. After August 27, 2007, Mr. Nichols shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk, etc., nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

The Order requires Mr. Nichols to notify by registered or certified mail 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. Nichols to deliver to all clients any papers or property to which they are entitled.

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

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