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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: JENNIFER M. PORTH, BPR #026537
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WILSON COUNTY LAWYER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

On August 11, 2022, the Supreme Court of Tennessee temporarily suspended Jennifer M. Porth from the practice of law upon finding Ms. Porth misappropriated client funds, failed to respond to the Board regarding a complaint of misconduct and posed 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 in cases of an attorney misappropriating client funds, posing a threat of substantial harm to the public, or failing to respond to the Board regarding a complaint of misconduct.

Ms. Porth is immediately precluded from accepting any new cases and shall cease representing existing clients by September 10, 2022. After September 10, 2022, Ms. Porth shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk, nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

Ms. Porth 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. Ms. Porth is required to deliver to all clients any papers or property to which they are entitled.

Ms. Porth 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. Ms. Porth may, for good cause, request dissolution or modification of the suspension by petition to the Supreme Court.

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