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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: KEISHA MOSES RICHARDSON, BPR #26492**  
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**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**  
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January 26, 2018

**SHELBY COUNTY LAWYER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED**

On January 26, 2018, the Supreme Court of Tennessee temporarily suspended Keisha Moses Richardson from the practice of law upon finding that Ms. Richardson failed to comply with a Supreme Court Order requiring participation in an evaluation. Pursuant to the Order, failure to comply with the Order may serve as the basis for temporary suspension pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.3.

Ms. Richardson is immediately precluded from accepting any new cases, and she must cease representing existing clients by February 25, 2018. After February 25, 2018, Ms. Richardson shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

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

Ms. Richardson must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, §§ 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. Richardson 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

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**IN RE: KEISHA MOSES RICHARDSON, BPR #026492**  
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee  
(Shelby County)

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**No. M2017-02286-SC-BAR-BP**  
BOPR No. 2018-2817-9-AJ-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 Keisha Moses Richardson 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 Affidavit of Ted Rice, Deputy Director of the Tennessee Lawyers Assistance Program (TLAP).

Based upon the Petition and the supporting Affidavit, the Court finds that Keisha Moses Richardson, Respondent, has failed to comply with this Court's Order entered on November 21, 2017, (Docket No. M2017-02286-SC-BAR-BP) directing that within ten (10) days of entry of the order she contact TLAP, or a provider recommended by TLAP, for an evaluation to determine her capacity to practice law and her capacity to respond to or defend against the pending Petition for Discipline as detailed by the Affidavit of Ted Rice.

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

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

PER CURIAM