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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: TERRY RISNER, BPR #015096
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## HAWKINS COUNTY LAWYER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

On March 22, 2024, the Supreme Court of Tennessee temporarily suspended Terry Risner from the practice of law upon finding that Mr. Risner is substantially non-compliant with his December 20, 2023, mandatory reporting Tennessee Lawyer Assistance Program Preliminary Evaluation and Assessment Monitoring Agreement. 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 who has failed to substantially comply with a Tennessee Lawyer Assistance Program monitoring agreement.

Mr. Risner is immediately precluded from accepting any new cases, and he must cease representing existing clients by April 21, 2024. After April 21, 2024, Mr. Risner shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

Mr. Risner 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. Mr. Risner is required to deliver to all clients any papers or property to which they are entitled.

Mr. Risner 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. Mr. Risner may for good cause request dissolution or modification of the suspension by petition to the Supreme Court.

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