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ANDERSON COUNTY LAWYER REINSTATED BY SUPREME COURT

Michael W. Ritter has been reinstated to the practice of law by Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court entered March 3, 2011. Mr. Ritter was temporarily suspended from the practice of law by Order of the Supreme Court on January 31, 2011, for failing to respond to a complaint of misconduct. On February 4, 2011, Mr. Ritter filed a Petition for Dissolution of the Temporary Suspension. On February 24, 2011, a Hearing Panel entered a recommendation that the temporary suspension be dissolved due to Mr. Ritter's submission of a response to the disciplinary complaint. The temporary suspension was dissolved pursuant to the Supreme Court's Order of March 3, 2011.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

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IN RE: MICHAEL W. RITTER, BPR #12229
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Anderson County)

No. M2011-00181-SC-BPR-BP
BOPR No. 2011-2003-2-KH(4.3)

ORDER

On January 31, 2011, the Court entered an Order of Temporary Suspension suspending Michael W. Ritter pursuant Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 4.3, for failure to respond to a complaint of misconduct filed against him with the Board of Professional Responsibility ("Board"). On February 4, 2011, Mr. Ritter filed a Petition for Dissolution of Temporary Suspension. This Court entered an Order on February 4, 2011 directing the Board to take appropriate steps to comply with the procedure set forth in Section 4.3. The Board filed an Answer on February 14, 2011.

On February 23, 2011, a hearing was conducted before a Hearing Panel. On February 24, 2011, the Hearing Panel entered its Report and Recommendation recommending that the temporary suspension be dissolved. A copy of the Report and Recommendation of the 4.3 Hearing Panel is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

It is, therefore, **ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED** that:

1. The temporary suspension imposed upon Michael W. Ritter by Order of Temporary Suspension filed January 31, 2011, is hereby dissolved.
2. Mr. Ritter shall reimburse and pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the costs and expenses of this proceeding in the amount of \$395.00 and, in addition, shall pay to the Clerk of this Court the costs incurred herein, within ninety (90) days, for all of which execution shall issue, if necessary.

FOR THE COURT:

Cornelia A. Clark
CORNELIA A. CLARK, CHIEF JUSTICE

I, Michael W. Colangelo, Clerk, hereby certify that
this is a true and exact copy of the original

filed in the office.
This 3 day of Mar, 20 11
CLERK OF COURT

By: [Signature]