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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: ROBERT JOHN FOY, BPR #025919
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July 3, 2019

RUTHERFORD COUNTY LAWYER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

On July 3, 2019, the Supreme Court of Tennessee temporarily suspended Robert John Foy from the practice of law upon finding that Mr. Foy misappropriated funds of a client and poses 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's misappropriation of a client's funds.

Mr. Foy is immediately precluded from accepting any new cases, and he must cease representing existing clients by August 2, 2019. After August 2, 2019, Mr. Foy shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

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

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

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

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IN RE: ROBERT JOHN FOY, BPR #025919
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Rutherford County)

No. M2019-01187-SC-BAR-BP
BOPR No. 2019-3013-4-TL-12.3

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 Robert John Foy 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 Eileen Burkhalter Smith, Disciplinary Counsel.

Based upon the Petition and the supporting Affidavit, the Court finds that Robert John Foy, Respondent, has misappropriated funds and poses a threat of substantial harm to the public as detailed by the Affidavit of Disciplinary Counsel.

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

1. Robert John Foy is hereby temporarily suspended from the practice of law as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.3.
2. Robert John Foy 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. Robert John Foy is hereby restricted from accessing the trust account located at Franklin Synergy Bank (Account Number: XXXX8485) until further Order of this Court. This Order shall be served upon Franklin Synergy Bank as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.3(b) as an injunction to prevent said bank from making further payment from said account on any obligation except in accordance with the restrictions imposed by this Order.

4. Robert John Foy shall not open any new trust accounts at any financial institution pending further orders from this Court.

5. Robert John Foy shall disclose in writing to Disciplinary Counsel the financial institutions and account numbers of all trust accounts maintained by him within ten (10) days from entry of this Order.

6. Any and all financial institutions maintaining a trust account as disclosed by Robert John Foy shall be served with this Order as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.3(b) as an injunction to prevent said bank from making further payment from said account on any obligation except in accordance with the restrictions imposed by this Order.

7. Robert John Foy is hereby restricted from accessing any trust accounts that may be disclosed by him pursuant to this Order until further Order of this Court.

8. Any and all financial institutions, including but not limited to Franklin Synergy Bank, shall be permitted to disclose and share information relating to Robert John Foy's trust accounts with Disciplinary Counsel of the Board of Professional Responsibility.

9. Disciplinary Counsel of the Board of Professional Responsibility shall have full and open access to all trust accounts maintained by Robert John Foy.

10. Robert John Foy is hereby restrained from making any payments from his trust account(s) or having any access to his trust account(s) whatsoever, without the express written approval from Disciplinary Counsel.

11. Robert John Foy shall submit all requests in writing to Disciplinary Counsel for any access to his trust account(s).

12. Robert John Foy may make application for dissolution or modification of this Order as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.3.

13. The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this suspension of Robert John Foy to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.11.

PER CURIAM