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## **GALLATIN LAWYER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED**

On February 8, 2011, the Supreme Court of Tennessee issued an Order summarily and temporarily suspending Cheryl J. Skidmore from the practice of law upon finding that Ms. Skidmore poses a threat of substantial harm to the public. Section 4.3 of Supreme Court Rule 9 provides for the immediate summary suspension of an attorney=s license to practice law in cases where it has been demonstrated that the attorney poses a threat of substantial harm to the public.

Effective February 8, 2011, Ms. Skidmore is precluded from accepting any new cases and she must cease representing existing clients by March 10, 2011. After March 10, 2011, Ms. Skidmore shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

Ms. Skidmore 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. Section 18 of Supreme Court Rule 9 requires Ms. Skidmore to deliver to all clients any papers or property to which they are entitled.

This suspension remains in effect until dissolution or modification by the Supreme Court. Ms. Skidmore may for good cause request dissolution or modification of the suspension by petition to the Supreme Court.

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