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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: KATHERINE EVETT SMITH, BPR #23028**  
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June 24, 2016

**SHELBY COUNTY LAWYER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED**

On June 24, 2016, the Supreme Court of Tennessee temporarily suspended Katherine Evett Smith from the practice of law upon finding that Ms. Smith failed to respond to the Board regarding a complaint of misconduct. 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 failure to respond to the Board regarding a complaint of misconduct.

Ms. Smith is immediately precluded from accepting any new cases, and she must cease representing existing clients by July 24, 2016. After July 24, 2016, Ms. Smith shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

Ms. Smith 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. Smith is required 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. Smith may for good cause request dissolution or modification of the suspension by petition to the Supreme Court.

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