

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE  
AT NASHVILLE

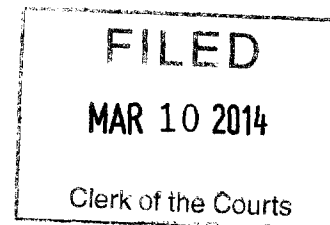
**IN RE: LEE MICHAEL SPROUSE, BPR #25082**

An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee  
(Davidson County)

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No. M2014-00167-SC-BAR-BP  
BOPR No. 2014-2292-5-AW(4.3)

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**ORDER**


On February 4, 2014, the Court entered an Order of Temporary Suspension pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.3<sup>1</sup>, suspending the law license of Lee Michael Sprouse due to Mr. Sprouse's failure to respond to the Board of Professional Responsibility concerning a complaint of misconduct. On February 13, 2014, Mr. Sprouse filed a Petition for Dissolution of Temporary Order of Suspension. On March 4, 2014, a hearing was conducted before a three-member Hearing Panel of the Board of Professional Responsibility.

On March 4, 2014, the Hearing Panel entered its Report and Recommendation that the Order of 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 Lee Michael Sprouse by Order of Temporary Suspension filed February 4, 2014, shall be dissolved.
2. Mr. Sprouse shall reimburse and pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the costs and expenses of this proceeding in the amount of \$588.44 and shall pay to the Clerk of this Court the costs incurred herein, for all of which execution shall issue, if necessary.

FOR THE COURT:

  
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CORNELIA A. CLARK, JUSTICE

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<sup>1</sup>Because this cause was initiated prior to January 1, 2014, it is governed by the pre-2014 version of Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9

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**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE PANEL**

A Panel of the Board of Professional Responsibility convened on March 4, 2014 on the Petition for Dissolution of Order of Temporary Suspension of Lee Michael Sprouse filed pursuant to Rule 9, Section 4.3 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Tennessee.

After considering the statements of counsel and the Petitioner, the Panel finds that Petitioner has shown good cause for dissolution of the Order of Temporary Suspension. The Petitioner has responded to the Board of Professional Responsibility concerning a complaint of misconduct and has complied with Section 18 of Rule 9.

The Panel further finds that Disciplinary Counsel for the Board of Professional Responsibility has no objection to the dissolution of the Order.

Accordingly, the Panel recommends that the Order of Temporary Suspension of Lee Michael Sprouse be dissolved.

ENTERED and filed with the Executive Secretary of the Board of Professional Responsibility this 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2014.

*Susan Emery McGannon*  
Susan Emery McGannon, Chair

*Lela Hollabaugh, by SEM*  
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*Francis S. Guess, by SEM*  
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