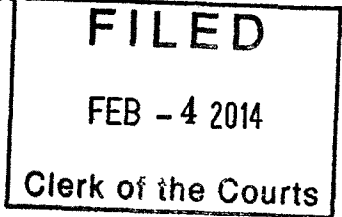


IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: LEE MICHAEL SPROUSE, BPR #25082

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

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



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 Lee Michael Sprouse from the practice of law, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.3.¹ The Petition has been authorized by the Chair of the Board of Professional Responsibility and is supported by the affidavit of Kevin D. Balkwill, Disciplinary Counsel.

Based upon the Petition and the supporting Affidavit, the Court finds that Lee Michael Sprouse, Respondent, has failed to respond to the Board of Professional Responsibility concerning a complaint of misconduct.

It is therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that:

1. Lee Michael Sprouse is hereby temporarily suspended from the practice of law as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.3.
2. Lee Michael Sprouse shall comply with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9 in all respects and particularly as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18.
3. Lee Michael Sprouse may make application for dissolution or modification of this Order as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.3.
4. The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this suspension of Lee Michael Sprouse to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18.10.

FOR THE COURT:

Cornelia A. Clark
CORNELIA A. CLARK, JUSTICE

¹ Because this case was initiated before January 1, 2014, it is governed by the pre-2014 version of Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9.