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## KNOXVILLE LAWYER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

On January 25, 2010, the Supreme Court of Tennessee issued an Order summarily and temporarily suspending Kathy Burns Stillman from the practice of law upon finding that Ms. Stillman has failed to respond to the Board regarding a complaint of misconduct. Section 4.3 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. Stillman is precluded from accepting any new cases and she must cease representing existing clients by February 24, 2010. After February 24, 2010, Ms. Stillman shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

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

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## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE AT NASHVILLE

JAN 25 2010

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IN RE: KATHY BURNS STILLMAN, BPR #2029@lerk of the Courts

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

No. M2010-00163-5C-BPR-BP BOPR No. 2010-1888-2-RS(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 Kathy Burns Stillman from the practice of law, pursuant to Section 4.3 of Supreme Court Rule 9. 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 Kathy Burns Stillman, 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:

- Kathy Burns Stillman is hereby temporarily suspended from the practice of law as provided in Section 4.3 of Supreme Court Rule 9.
- Kathy Burns Stillman comply with Supreme Court Rule 9 in all respects, and particularly as provided in Section 18:
- Kathy Burns Stillman may make application for dissolution or modification of this Order as provided in Supreme Court Rule 9.

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The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this suspension of Kathy Burns Stillman to be published as required by Supreme Court Rule 9.

FOR THE COURT:

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, Michael W. Catalano, Clerk, hereby certify tha his is a true and expet copy of the original

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This 25 day of CLERK OF