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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: EDWARD L. SWINGER, BPR #14162**  
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**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**  
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February 26, 2014

**DAVIDSON COUNTY LAWYER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED**

On February 25, 2014, the Supreme Court of Tennessee temporarily suspended Edward L. Swinger from the practice of law upon finding that Mr. Swinger 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.

Effective February 25, 2014, Mr. Swinger is precluded from accepting any new cases, and he must cease representing existing clients by March 27, 2014. After March 27, 2014, Mr. Swinger shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

Mr. Swinger must notify all clients being represented in pending matters, as well as co-counsel and opposing counsel of the Supreme Court's Order suspending his law license. Mr. Swinger 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. Mr. Swinger may for good cause request dissolution or modification of the suspension by petition to the Supreme Court.

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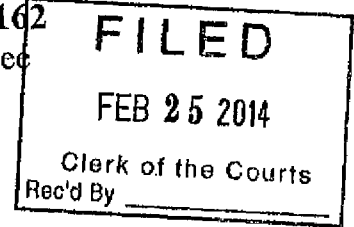
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE  
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: EDWARD L. SWINGER, BPR #014162  
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee  
(Davidson County)



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No. M2014-00319-SC-BAR-BP  
BOPR No. 2014-2298-5-AW(4.3)

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**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 Edward L. Swinger from the practice of law, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.3.<sup>1</sup> The Petition has been authorized by the Chair of the Board of Professional Responsibility and is supported by the affidavit of Eileen Burkhalter Smith, Disciplinary Counsel.

Based upon the Petition and the supporting Affidavit, the Court finds that Edward L. Swinger, 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. Edward L. Swinger is hereby temporarily suspended from the practice of law as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 4.3.
2. Edward L. Swinger shall comply with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9 in all respects and particularly as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18.
3. Edward L. Swinger 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 Edward L. Swinger to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 18.10.

PER CURIAM

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