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## WILSON COUNTY LAWYER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

On December 1, 2008, the Supreme Court of Tennessee issued an Order summarily and temporarily suspending Gary Wayne Vandever from the practice of law upon finding that Mr. Vandever 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.

Effective December 1, 2008, Mr. Vandever is precluded from accepting any new cases and he must cease representing existing clients by January 1, 2009. After January 1, 2009, Mr. Vandever shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

Mr. Vandever 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. Section 18 of Supreme Court Rule 9 requires Mr. Vandever 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. Vandever may for good cause request dissolution or modification of the suspension by petition to the Supreme Court.

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