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GOODLETTSVILLE LAWYER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

On April 23, 2001, the Supreme Court of Tennessee issued an Order summarily and temporarily suspending Rosemary E. Phillips' license to practice law, upon finding that Ms. Phillips has failed to answer the Board of Professional Responsibility's requests for information 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 failing to respond to the Board of Professional Responsibility. Disciplinary Counsel filed a petition with the Supreme Court alleging that Ms. Phillips had failed to respond to the Board's requests for information regarding a complaint.

The April 23, 2001 Order precludes Ms. Phillips from accepting any new cases effective April 23, 2001. Ms. Phillips must cease representing existing clients effective May 23, 2001. After May 23, 2001, Ms. Phillips shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk, nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

The Order requires Ms. Phillips to notify by registered or certified mail 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. Phillips 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. Phillips may for good cause request dissolution or modification of this suspension by petition to the Supreme Court.