

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR COCKE COUNTY, TENNESSEE  
AT NEWPORT

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THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, ON  
RELATION OF JAMES B. DUNN  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR  
FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF  
TENNESSEE,

RELATOR

VS:

TERRY JARNIGAN  
222 LINDEN STREET,  
NEWPORT, TN 37821

Respondent

NO: 33 613 - I

ORDER ON PETITION TO SHOW CAUSE AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

This cause came on to be heard upon the verified Petition for Injunctive Relief, the affidavits attached as exhibits and the record as a whole, from all of which this Court finds that this is a proper matter to Order immediate injunctive relief so as to protect the integrity of any and all crime scenes as the same relates to contamination, on-going-investigations and for the safe guarding of the families affected by such inappropriate actions by Terry Jarnigan.

IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED, AJUDGED AND DECREED THAT a Temporary Restraining Order shall issue restraining the Respondent, Terry Jarnigan, as follows:

1. Terry Jarnigan shall NOT be present at any crime scenes, or purported crime scenes;
2. Terry Jarnigan shall NOT disturb or touch evidence of any purported or suspected crimes or crime scenes; and
3. Terry Jarnigan shall NOT disturb or touch bodies of victims or purported victims of crimes.
4. This Order shall remain in full force and effect pending a hearing in this matter which is now set for December 8, 2014, at 1:30 PM.

ENTER this the 19th of November 2014.

Ben W. Hooper II  
BEN W. HOOPER II, CIRCUIT JUDGE

THIS IS THE FIRST GRANT OF EXTRAORDINARY RELIEF IN THIS MATTER.

STATE OF TENNESSEE, COCKE COUNTY  
I, Peggy W. Lane, Clerk, Circuit Court of said county  
certify the foregoing Order is a true and  
perfect copy as entered on record in my office, in  
Civil Book No. 335, Page No. —  
Cause No. 33613  
Witness my hand and official seal at office in  
Newport, Tennessee  
This the 19 day of November, 2014.  
Peggy W. Lane Clerk

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Comes now the STATE OF TENNESSEE by and through the District Attorney General for the Fourth Judicial District, JAMES B. DUNN, and through his duly appointed Deputy, W. Brownlow Marsh, and petitions this Honorable Court for injunctive relief permanently barring the Respondent, TERRY JARNIGAN, from performing various activities and to show cause why he should not be held in willful contempt for willfully violating the terms of his employment which could have a detrimental impact on the prosecution of cases and further victimization of family members who are suffering the loss of a loved one. In support of said Petition the State would aver as follows:

I. JURISDICTION

The full name and address of the Respondent is as set forth in the caption and your Relator is the District Attorney General for the Fourth Judicial Circuit of Tennessee. Relator, in his capacity as District Attorney General, is a proper person to file this Petition pursuant to the coroner's statutory provisions as set forth under Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-9-101, et seq.

## II. VENUE

The defendant, TERRY JARNIGAN, is a citizen and resident of Cocke County, Tennessee, as set out in the above caption. Wherein said venue would be properly vested before this Honorable Court.

## III. FACTS

In support of this Petition the State of Tennessee offers the Affidavits of Cocke County Sheriff's Office Deputy Lt. Robert Thornton and Detective Paula Wilson, attached hereto as Exhibits A and B. These affidavits relate in detail how the Respondent inserts himself into crime scenes without invitation and his resultant contamination of said crime scenes without regard for any on-going investigation and, more disturbingly, that on November 2, 2014, the Respondent inserted his finger into the wounds of a deceased victim thereby completely contaminating any investigation for crime related DNA, not to mention the effect such activity has on the victim's family.

## IV. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF SOUGHT

The Relator is seeking injunctive relief in this matter so as to protect the integrity of any and all crime scenes as the same relates to contamination, on-going-investigations and for the safe guarding of the families affected by such inappropriate actions by Terry Jarnigan. Said relief shall include, but is not limited to, the following:

1. That Terry Jarnigan shall NOT be present at any crime scenes, or purported crime scenes;
2. That Terry Jarnigan shall NOT disturb or touch evidence of any purported or suspected crimes or crime scenes; and
3. That Terry Jarnigan shall NOT disturb or touch bodies of victims or purported victims of crimes.

## V. PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, PREMISES PRAYED, the Relator, State of Tennessee, respectfully demands that this Court immediately enter injunctive relief enjoining the Respondent from:

- A. Being present at crime scenes, or purported crime scenes;
- B. Disturbing or touching evidence of purported or suspected crimes or crime scenes;
- C. Disturbing or touching bodies of victims or purported victims of crimes;

Additionally the Relator prays for the following relief:

D. A Temporary (Ex Parte) Order for Injunctive relief on the aforesaid with a Permanent Injunctive Relief Order to follow by this Honorable Court upon further hearing.

E. That this Honorable Court set this matter for a show cause hearing for contempt and for granting of Ex Parte Injunctive Relief on Dec. 8, 2014 at 1:30 p.m.

F. For such other further and general relief as this Honorable Court deems necessary and proper.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this the 19<sup>th</sup> of November 2014.

JAMES B. DUNN, DISTRICT ATTORNEY GENERAL

BY: W. Brownlow Marsh

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OATH

I, W. BROWNLOW MARSH, THE DESIGNATED RELATOR OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE ON BEHALF OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY GENRAL JAMES B. DUNN, DO HEREBY SWEAR AND/OR AFFIRM THAT THE FOREGOING INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS PETITION ARE CORRECT AND ARE HEREBY AFFIRMED BY THE ATTACHED EXHIBITS A & B SUBMITTED TO THIS PETITION HEREIN.

W. Brownlow Marsh

W. BROWNLOW MARSH, Deputy District Attorney

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of November 2014.

B. White  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
COCKE  
EXPIRES: 1-30-17