IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF TENNESSEE AT KNOXVILLE December 10, 2015 Session

JUSTIN R. ROGERS V. BLOUNT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, INC., ET AL.

Appeal from the Circuit Court for Blount CountyNo. L-18539David R. Duggan, Judge.

No. E2015-00136-COA-R3-CV-FILED-FEBRUARY 29, 2016

D. MICHAEL SWINEY, C.J., concurring.

I concur fully in the majority's decision in this case. I write separately only to express my opinion that the appropriate summary judgment standard to be applied by Tennessee courts now is as set forth in *Rye v. Women's Care Center of Memphis, MPLLC*, _____ S.W.3d _____, 2015 WL 6457768 (Tenn. 2015), rather than Tenn. Code Ann. § 20-16-101. I believe our Supreme Court intended for the retroactive application of *Rye* when it stated: "In civil cases, judicial decisions overruling prior cases generally *are applied retrospectively.*." *Rye,* _____ S.W.3d at _____n.9, 2015 WL 6457768 at *35 n.9. While there may be very little, if any, difference between the summary judgment standard as set forth in *Rye* and as contained in Tenn. Code Ann. § 20-16-101, I believe *Rye* sets the standard and is controlling on the courts of this State.

D. MICHAEL SWINEY, CHIEF JUDGE