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LAW LICENSE OF ELIZABETHTON ATTORNEY TRANSFERRED TO DISABILITY INACTIVE STATUS

On July 11, the Supreme Court of Tennessee transferred the law license of Elizabethton attorney Douglas Paul Jones to Disability Inactive Status. Prior to this transfer Mr. Jones' law license had been temporarily suspended pursuant to a temporary suspension order entered on August 23, 2002. This transfer to disability inactive status was the result of a Petition to Transfer filed by Mr. Jones in which Mr. Jones alleged he had a medical disability that impaired his ability to practice law. Disciplinary Counsel concurred in this request. Mr. Jones cannot practice law as long as his law license remains in this status. Mr. Jones' license cannot be reinstated from this status until after he has proven to a hearing panel of the Board of Professional Responsibility by clear and convincing evidence that his disability has been removed. Such transfers to Disability Inactive Status are governed by Rule 9, Rules of the Supreme Court of Tennessee.