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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: JOEL ROBERT BELLIS, BPR #27750
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July 28, 2017

MAURY COUNTY LAWYER PLACED ON DISABILITY INACTIVE STATUS

By Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court entered July 28, 2017, the law license of Joel Robert Bellis was transferred to disability inactive status pursuant to Section 27.4 of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9.

Mr. Bellis cannot practice law while on disability inactive status. He may return to the practice of law after reinstatement by the Tennessee Supreme Court upon showing of clear and convincing evidence that the disability has been removed and he is fit to resume the practice of law.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: JOEL ROBERT BELLIS, BPR #27750

An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Maury County)

No. M2017-01500-SC-BAR-BP
BOPR No. 2017- 2750-6-KH-27

**ORDER TRANSFERRING ATTORNEY TO
DISABILITY INACTIVE STATUS**

This matter is before the Court upon a petition to transfer Joel Robert Bellis to disability inactive status filed by the Tennessee Board of Professional Responsibility pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 27.4.

Upon due consideration of documentation provided by the Board and the correspondence of Mr. Bellis, the Court concludes that Mr. Bellis is currently incapacitated from continuing the practice of law.

IT IS, THEREFORE, CONSIDERED, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED BY THE COURT THAT:

1. The law license of Joel Robert Bellis shall be transferred to disability inactive status for an indefinite period of time and until further orders of the Supreme Court.
2. Mr. Bellis shall be allowed to petition for reinstatement to active status pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 27.7.
3. The Board shall publish notice of this transfer pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, §§ 27.5 and 28.11.
4. Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 32.4, documents other than this Order relating to Mr. Bellis's disability proceeding shall not be public records and shall be kept confidential.

PER CURIAM