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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: RICHARD H. DUNAVANT, BPR #5654
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January 21, 2016

GILES COUNTY LAWYER PLACED ON DISABILITY INACTIVE STATUS

By Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court entered January 21, 2016, the law license of Richard H. Dunavant was transferred to disability inactive status pursuant to Section 27.3 of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9.

Mr. Dunavant 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.

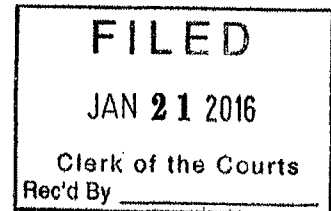
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: RICHARD HANNAH DUNAVANT, BPR #5654

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

No. M2016-00128-SC-BAR-BP
BOPR No. 2016-2531-6-KH(27)



**ORDER TRANSFERRING ATTORNEY TO
DISABILITY INACTIVE STATUS**

This matter is before the Court upon a petition to transfer Richard Hannah Dunavant to disability inactive status filed by the Tennessee Board of Professional Responsibility pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 27.3.

Upon due consideration of documentation from Mr. Dunavant's medical care provider, the Court concludes that Richard Hannah Dunavant is currently incapacitated from continuing the practice of law.

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

1. The law license of Richard Hannah Dunavant shall be transferred to disability inactive status for an indefinite period of time and until further orders of the Supreme Court.
2. Mr. Dunavant 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. Dunavant's disability proceeding shall not be public records and shall be kept confidential.

PER CURIAM