## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE AT NASHVILLE

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## IN RE: JACOB EDWARD ERWIN, BPR NO. 020728

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

**No. M2022-00934-SC-BAR-BP** BOPR No. 2022-3263-2-AW-27

## ORDER TRANSFERRING ATTORNEY TO DISABILITY INACTIVE STATUS

This matter is before the Court upon a notice of contention and petition to transfer Jacob Edward Erwin 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 correspondence and medical records provided to the Board by Mr. Erwin's counsel, the Court concludes that Jacob Edward Erwin currently suffers from a disability by reason of mental infirmity or illness, which disability makes it impossible for him to respond to or defend against a pending Petition for Discipline, Docket No. 2022-3236-2-DB, and Disciplinary Complaint File No. 70089-2-SB.

- IT IS, THEREFORE, CONSIDERED, ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED BY THE COURT THAT:
- 1. The law license of Jacob Edward Erwin shall be transferred to disability inactive status for an indefinite period of time and until further orders of this Court.
- 2. The pending disciplinary matters are suspended pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 27.4. The Board may petition this Court to require Mr. Erwin submit to examination by an independent qualified medical or mental health expert designated by the Court or provide competent evidence from qualified medical or mental health experts demonstrating his condition continues to prevent him from responding to or defending against pending disciplinary matters.
- 3. Mr. Erwin shall comply with Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9 in all respects and particularly as provided in Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28, regarding the responsibilities of attorneys transferred to disability inactive status.
- 4. Mr. Erwin shall be allowed to petition for reinstatement to active status pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 27.7.

- 5. The Board shall publish notice of this transfer pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9,  $\S\S 27.5$  and 28.11.
- 6. Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 32.4, documents other than this Order relating to Mr. Erwin's disability proceeding shall not be public records and shall be kept confidential.

PER CURIAM