Petition for Reinstatement from Inactive Status (less than five years) (Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 10.8(b) Instructions)

The following sample petition for reinstatement is for use by an attorney who wishes to be reinstated from any inactive or exempt status that has been in place for less than five years pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 10.8 (b). The following form is a sample; if you find that the sample petition does not completely meet your needs, please feel free to use it as a guide.

After completing the form, you should forward it to the Board at our offices by mail, email or fax. Our mailing address is

Board of Professional Responsibility
Attention: Registration Department
10 Cadillac Drive, Suite 220
Brentwood, TN  37027

We will accept a scanned copy by email directed to registration@tbpr.org, or by fax to 615-367-2480.

Here is what you may expect:

- Petitions are processed in the order in which they are received
- We will process your petition as expeditiously as possible.
- Board staff will make inquiry concerning the attorney’s compliance with requirements for payment of fees to the Board, payment of professional privilege tax, and completion of mandatory CLE requirements.
- If you are delinquent in payment of any fees owed to the Board, taxes owed to the Tennessee Department of Revenue, or CLE compliance or fees owed to the Tennessee Commission on Continuing Legal Education, you will be required to clear the deficiency before the Court will grant your petition for reinstatement. We will notify you of the deficiency by email.
- If a deficiency is noted, you are required to clear the deficiency and show the Board’s registration staff that the matter has been corrected before we will proceed with your reactivation request.
- When your petition is granted, we will issue an interim invoice for the full active-attorney registration fee. The interim invoice is due immediately and must be paid before you will receive a BPR Card to return to practice. We will prorate the invoice based on when your next regular registration is required (i.e., the first day of your next birth month).
- Should you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to call or email the registration department (email us at registration@tbpr.org)
THE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY
FOR THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: ______(NAME)___________, BPR #___________
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Insert City and/or County, State)

PETITION FOR REINSTATEMENT
PURSUANT TO TENN. SUP. CT. R. 9, SECTION 10.8(b)

Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 10.8(b), _____________, respectfully petitions this Board for reinstatement to the practice of law. In support of this petition, Petitioner states the following:

1. Petitioner’s license to practice law has been inactive for five (5) years or less;

2. Petitioner has made payment of any assessment in effect for the year of this request, including any arrears accumulated prior to transfer to inactive status. (Attach affidavit or other supporting documentation as needed); and,

3. Petitioner is not subject to an outstanding order of suspension or disbarment.

WHEREFORE, having assumed inactive status for five (5) years or less and not engaging in the practice of law in the state of Tennessee pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 10.3(e), ________________seeks reinstatement to the practice of law in Tennessee.

Respectfully submitted:

________________________________
PETITIONER, BPR#
ADDRESS
PHONE
VERIFICATION

I, ___(Name)____, being first duly sworn, make oath and state that the information provided in this Petition for Reinstatement is true to the best of my information, knowledge, and belief.

__________________________
___(Name)______, BPR #________

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the ___ day of ____________, 20____.

Notary Public ________________________________