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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: DAVID DWAYNE HARRIS, BPR #32607
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November 20, 2017

DAVIDSON COUNTY LAWYER PLACED ON DISABILITY INACTIVE STATUS

By Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court entered November 17, 2017, the law license of David Dwayne Harris was transferred to disability inactive status for an indefinite period. The Court referred the matter to a hearing panel for a formal hearing to determine Mr. Harris's capacity to continue to practice law and to respond to or defend against disciplinary complaints.

Mr. Harris 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

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IN RE: DAVID HARRIS, BPR #32607
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Davidson County)

No. M2017-02191-SC-BAR-BP
BOPR No. 2017-2790-5-KH-27

ORDER

On November 3, 2017, David Harris filed with this Court a Notice of Request to be Transferred to Temporary Inactive Status pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 27.4(a), in which he contended that he is suffering from a temporary disability or infirmity that prevents him from responding to or defending against the disciplinary proceeding currently pending against him. On November 13, 2017, the Tennessee Board of Professional Responsibility submitted a response to Mr. Harris's Notice. On November 15, 2017, Mr. Harris filed an Amended Notice.

Having carefully considered this matter, the Court orders that David Harris immediately be transferred to disability inactive status for an indefinite period and until further order of this Court and refers this matter to a hearing panel for a formal hearing to determine Mr. Harris's capacity to continue to practice law and to respond to or defend against the complaint, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 27.4(a). In such proceeding, the burden of proof shall rest upon Mr. Harris and shall be by a preponderance of the evidence.

PER CURIAM