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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: JAMES EDWIN KISSEL, BPR #15336**  
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August 29, 2012

**BUFFALO, NEW YORK LAWYER PLACED ON DISABILITY INACTIVE STATUS**

By Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court entered August 27, 2012, the law license of James Edwin Kissel was transferred to disability inactive status pursuant Tennessee Supreme Court, Rule 9, Section 21.2.

Mr. Kissel 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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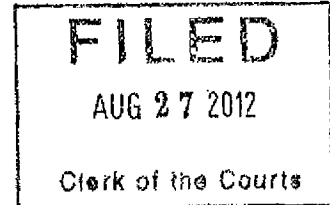
IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE  
AT NASHVILLE

**IN RE JAMES EDWIN KISSEL, BPR #15336**  
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee  
(Buffalo, NY)

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No. M2012-01793-SC-BPR-BP  
BOPR No. 2012-2149-0-KH(21)

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**ORDER TRANSFERRING ATTORNEY TO DISABILITY INACTIVE STATUS**

This matter is before the Court upon the Petition to Transfer Attorney James Edwin Kissel to disability inactive status pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 21.2.

Upon due consideration of medical documentation submitted by James Edwin Kissel, the Court concludes that James Edwin Kissel 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 James Edwin Kissel shall be transferred to disability inactive status for an indefinite period of time and until further orders of the Supreme Court.
2. James Edwin Kissel shall be allowed to petition for reinstatement to active status pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 21.6.
3. The Board shall publish notice of this transfer pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, §§ 21.4 and 21.5.
4. Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 25.2, documents other than this Order relating to James Edwin Kissel's disability proceeding shall not be public records and shall be kept confidential.
5. Costs are taxed to James Edwin Kissel.

FOR THE COURT:



WILLIAM C. KOCH, JR., JUSTICE