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RE: DEON DEVAL OWENSBY, BPR #023337
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TENNESSEE LAWYER PLACED ON DISABILITY INACTIVE STATUS

By Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court entered January 4, 2021, the law license of Deon Devall Owensby was transferred to disability inactive status pursuant to Section 27.4 of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9 following a hearing conducted October 12, 2020.

Mr. Owensby 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 RE: DEON DEVALL OWENSBY, BPR #023337
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Trenton, New Jersey)

No. M2020-00370-SC-BAR-BP
BOPR No. 2020-3083-0-BL-27

**ORDER TRANSFERRING ATTORNEY TO
DISABILITY INACTIVE STATUS**

This matter is before the Court following a hearing to determine Deon Devall Owensby's capacity to practice law and defend against disciplinary charges pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 27.4.

Upon due consideration of the findings and recommendation of the hearing panel following a hearing conducted on October 12, 2020, the Court concludes Deon Devall Owensby is currently incapacitated from continuing the practice of law and unable to participate in the pending Petition for Discipline, Docket No. 2019-2975-0-AW.

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

1. The law license of Deon Devall Owensby shall be transferred to disability inactive status indefinitely and until further orders of the Supreme Court, and disciplinary proceedings shall be suspended pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, Section 27.4(b).
2. Mr. Owensby 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. Owensby's disability proceeding shall not be public records and shall be kept confidential.

PER CURIAM