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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: ASHLEY DENISE PRESTON, BPR #25642
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DISABILITY INACTIVE STATUS OF DAVIDSON COUNTY LAWYER REMOVED

On February 23, 2016, the Tennessee Supreme Court issued an Order removing the disability inactive status of Ashley Denise Preston. On May 26, 2015, the Supreme Court entered an Order transferring Ms. Preston to disability inactive status.

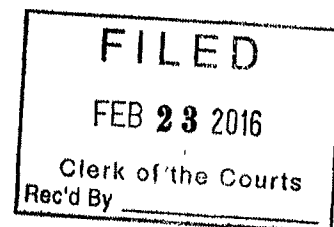
Although the disability inactive status has been removed, the Court noted that Ms. Preston's license to practice law will not be returned to active status until the resolution of any disciplinary proceedings pending before the Board of Professional Responsibility and must also satisfy any outstanding continuing legal education obligations. Ms. Preston is required to pay the costs and expenses of her reinstatement proceedings to the Court and to the Board of Professional Responsibility.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: ASHLEY DENISE PRESTON, BPR #25642
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Davidson County)

No. M2015-00855-SC-BAR-BP
BOPR No. 2016-2545-5-AJ (27.7)



ORDER REMOVING DISABILITY INACTIVE STATUS

This matter is before the Court, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 27.7, upon a Petition for Reinstatement Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, Section 27.7, filed on February 5, 2016. Ms. Preston's law license was transferred to disability inactive status by Order of this Court on May 29, 2015.

The Board has filed a response stating that there is no objection to removing Ms. Preston from disability inactive status; however, the Board notes that at the time Ms. Preston was placed on disability inactive status, there were three (3) open investigative files pending with the Board of Professional Responsibility, and a Petition for Discipline containing one complaint.

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

1. Ashley Denise Preston shall be removed from disability inactive status.
2. Ms. Preston shall not be returned to active status until resolution of any pending disciplinary proceedings, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 27.7(c). Ms. Preston must also satisfy any outstanding continuing legal education obligations prior to any subsequent reinstatement to active status.
3. Pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 31.3, Ms. Preston shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$80.00 and, in addition, shall pay to the Clerk of this Court the costs incurred herein, within ninety (90) days of the entry of this Order, for all of which execution may issue if necessary.

PER CURIAM