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RE: PAUL LELAND SMITH, BPR #7070
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August 5, 2013

MCMINN COUNTY LAWYER PLACED ON DISABILITY INACTIVE STATUS

By Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court entered August 5, 2013, the law license of Paul Leland Smith was transferred to disability inactive status pursuant to Section 21 of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9.

Mr. Smith 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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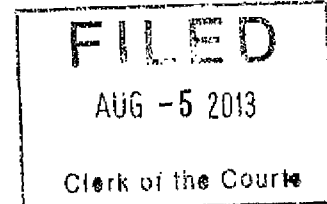
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: PAUL LELAND SMITH, BPR #007070
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(McMinn County)

No. M2013-01746-SC-BPR-BP
BOPR No. 2013-2245-3-KH(21)



**ORDER TRANSFERRING ATTORNEY TO
DISABILITY INACTIVE STATUS**

This matter is before the Court upon a petition to transfer Paul Leland Smith to disability inactive status filed by the Tennessee Board of Professional Responsibility pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 21.2.

Upon due consideration of medical documentation submitted by Wallace Burroughs, II, M.D., the Court concludes that Paul Leland Smith 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 Paul Leland Smith shall be transferred to disability inactive status for an indefinite period of time and until further orders of the Supreme Court.
2. Mr. Smith 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 Mr. Smith's disability proceeding shall not be public records and shall be kept confidential.

FOR THE COURT:

Cornelia A. Clark
CORNELIA A. CLARK, JUSTICE