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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE  
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION

FILED

IN THE MATTER OF:

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ORDER

BILLY H. MASON  
ATTORNEY AT LAW

NEW HANOVER COUNTY) C.S.C.

BY

THIS CAUSE came on to be heard upon Petitioner, Billy H. Mason's voluntary tender to this Court of his license to practice law in the State of North Carolina because of incapacity. The Petitioner represented through Affidavit filed with this Court that he has an undiagnosed disability which he acknowledges affects his capacity to practice law and that he considers this disability to support his transfer from active to inactive status. The Petitioner further consented to the Court's entering this Order accepting Petitioner's voluntary surrender of his license, finding of disability, and transfer of the Petitioner to inactive status until such time as Petitioner presents to the Court evidence which satisfies the Court that he has regained his capacity to practice law.

The Court having reviewed the Affidavit of Petitioner and such evidence as this Court deems necessary to support this Order, the Court finds that there is a factual basis for this determination that the Petitioner is now disabled and for the entry of this Order finding Petitioner to be disabled and that there is further a factual basis for the exercise of this Court's inherent power to transfer Petitioner to an inactive status because of his disability.

IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that Billy H. Mason be and hereby is transferred to inactive status as a member of the North Carolina State Bar, and that this transfer is effective immediately. Upon the entry of this Order the Court acknowledges that Petitioner has surrendered to the Court his license to practice law. Upon overcoming his disability and regaining capacity, Petitioner may petition a Resident Superior Court Judge of the Fifth Judicial District for transfer to active status and upon proof satisfactory to a Resident Superior Court Judge of the Fifth Judicial District that Petitioner has regained his capacity to practice law, the said judge may enter an Order transferring Petitioner back to active status.

A copy of this Order shall be served upon Petitioner and upon the Secretary of the North Carolina State Bar.

This the 11<sup>TH</sup> day of DECEMBER, 1990.

*Napoleon B. Barefoot*  
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Napoleon B. Barefoot  
Senior Resident Superior Court Judge  
Fifth Judicial District

Consented to: Billy H. Mason  
Billy H. Mason

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