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NORTH CAROLINA

WAKE COUNTY



BEFORE THE  
GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR  
04D0001

IN RE: JESSE M. BAKER  
ATTORNEY

CONSENT ORDER  
TRANSFERRING MEMBER  
TO  
DISABILITY INACTIVE STATUS

THIS MATTER is before the undersigned Chairperson of the Grievance Committee of the North Carolina State Bar pursuant to 27 N.C. Admin. Code, Chapter 1B, Section .0118(g). Fern Gunn Simeon represented the North Carolina State Bar and Jesse M. Baker appeared pro se. Based upon the information presented and with the consent of both Jesse M. Baker and the deputy counsel of the North Carolina State Bar, the undersigned makes the following:

#### Findings of Fact

1. The North Carolina State Bar is a body duly organized under the laws of North Carolina and is the proper party to consent to this proceeding under the authority granted it in Chapter 84 of the General Statutes of North Carolina and the Rules and Regulations of the North Carolina State Bar promulgated thereunder.
2. Jesse M. Baker was admitted to the North Carolina State Bar on August 24, 1975, and is, and was at all times referred to herein, an attorney at law licensed to practice law in North Carolina, subject to the rules, regulations, and Rules of Professional Conduct of the North Carolina State Bar and the laws of the State of North Carolina.
3. Mr. Baker was engaged in the practice of law in Tarboro, North Carolina.
4. Mr. Baker currently suffers from severe memory loss as a result of several strokes, and he suffers from infarct dementia, which significantly impair his performance as an attorney.
5. Mr. Baker consents to being transferred to disability inactive status.
6. Mr. Baker has sufficient capacity to understand the consequences of consenting to the terms of this order.

Based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact, the undersigned makes the following:

Conclusions of Law

1. Jesse M. Baker is disabled within the meaning of 27 N.C. Admin. Code, Chapter 1B, Section .0103(19).

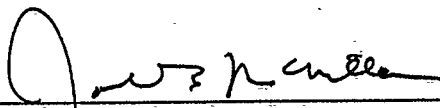
2. Pursuant to 27 N.C. Admin. Code, Chapter 1B, Section .0118(g), the proper parties have consented to the transfer of Jesse M. Baker to disability inactive status.

Therefore, it is hereby ordered:

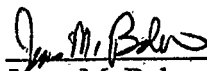
1. Jesse M. Baker is transferred to disability inactive status effective immediately.

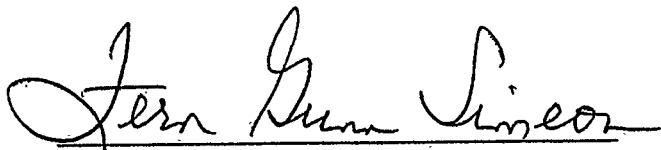
2. Jesse M. Baker shall refrain from practicing law in North Carolina until reinstated to active status pursuant to 27 N.C. Admin. Code, Chapter 1B, Section .0125(c), or any successor provision relevant to reinstatement to active status.

This the 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2004.

  
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John B. McMillan, Chairman  
Grievance Committee

Consented to :

  
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Jesse M. Baker  
Attorney

  
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Fern Gunn Simeon  
Deputy Counsel