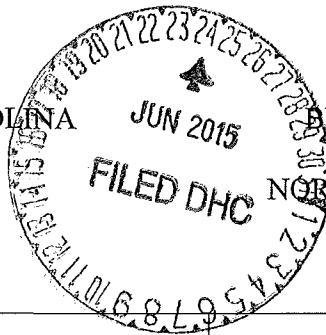


STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

WAKE COUNTY



BEFORE THE GRIEVANCE  
COMMITTEE OF THE  
NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR

15G0128

IN RE:

KATHERINE L. JONES, ATTORNEY

CONSENT ORDER  
TRANSFERRING ATTORNEY  
TO DISABILITY  
INACTIVE STATUS

This matter is before the undersigned Chairperson of the North Carolina State Bar's Grievance Committee pursuant to 27 N.C. Admin. Code 1B §.0118(b), with Jennifer A. Porter representing the North Carolina State Bar and Alan M. Schneider representing Katherine L. Jones. Based upon facts received from the member and with the consent of the member and the counsel, 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. Defendant, Katherine L. Jones ("Jones"), was admitted to the North Carolina State Bar in 2010, and is, and was at all times referred to herein, an attorney at law licensed to practice in North Carolina, subject to the laws of the State of North Carolina, the Rules and Regulations of the North Carolina State Bar and the Rules of Professional Conduct.

3. Jones actively engaged in the practice of law in the State of North Carolina and worked in law offices located in Raleigh, North Carolina.

4. There is currently pending one grievance concerning Jones, 15G0128.

5. This grievance has not yet been considered by the Grievance Committee.

6. During the State Bar's investigation of this grievance, Jones presented the State Bar with a report from her treating medical provider, Amanda A. Dorn, M.D.

7. Dr. Dorn, a psychiatrist, states that Jones has been diagnosed with bipolar affective disorder. Dr. Dorn reports that Jones' mental condition significantly impairs Jones' professional judgment, performance, and competence as an attorney. In Dr. Dorn's opinion, Jones is disabled, as defined in the State Bar Rules.

8. Jones currently suffers from a mental condition which significantly impairs her professional judgment, performance, and competence as an attorney.

9. Jones consents to being transferred to disability inactive status.

BASED UPON the foregoing Findings of Fact, and with the consent of the member and the counsel, the undersigned makes the following:

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Pursuant to 27 N.C. Admin. Code 1B §.0118(b), the proper parties have consented to Jones being transferred to disability inactive status.

2. Jones is disabled within the meaning of 27 N.C. Admin. Code 1B § .0103(19).

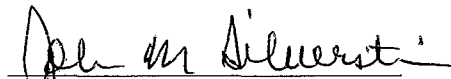
THEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED:

1. Katherine L. Jones is transferred to disability inactive status.

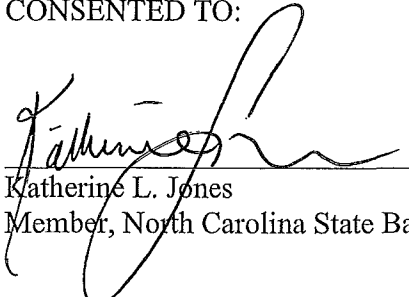


2. Jones shall refrain from practicing law in North Carolina unless and until returned to active status pursuant to 27 N.C. Admin. Code 1B §.0125(c).

3. Investigation or action on any grievance pending as of the date of this order or received after the date of this order concerning Jones is hereby abated unless and until Jones is reinstated to active status. Should Jones be reinstated to active status, investigation or action on any abated grievance shall resume.

This the 24<sup>th</sup> day of JUNE 2015.

  
John M. Silverstein, Chair  
Grievance Committee  
North Carolina State Bar

CONSENTED TO:

  
Katherine L. Jones  
Member, North Carolina State Bar  
Alan M. Schneider  
Attorney for Member  
Jennifer A. Porter  
Deputy Counsel  
North Carolina State Bar