

STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN SUPREME COURT

A26-0824

In re Petition for Transfer to Disability Inactive
Status of Robert A. Hill, a Minnesota Attorney,
Registration No. 0217165.

O R D E R

The Director of the Office of Lawyers Professional Responsibility has filed a petition under Rule 28, Rules on Lawyers Professional Responsibility (RLPR), for transfer of respondent Robert A. Hill to disability inactive status. During the Director's investigation of a complaint against respondent, he asserted that, due to a disability, he is unable to assist in his defense and is unable to competently represent clients or otherwise engage in the practice of law. Respondent provided information and evidence regarding his disability to the Director, and the Director reviewed medical documents which confirm respondent's disability.

Respondent has entered into a stipulation with the Director in which they jointly recommend that we transfer respondent to disability inactive status under Rules 28(a) and (c), RLPR, without further proceedings, and stay the pending disciplinary investigation of respondent. The parties have also agreed that if respondent seeks reinstatement, the stay of the disciplinary investigation will be automatically lifted, and that during the reinstatement process, the allegations of misconduct arising out of the

investigation must be considered and a recommendation as to the appropriate discipline, if any, must be made to the court.

The court has reviewed the petition and stipulation and concludes that transfer to disability inactive status and a stay of the pending disciplinary investigation are appropriate.

Based upon all the files, records, and proceedings herein,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. Respondent Robert A. Hill is transferred to disability inactive status effective as of the date of this order. While on disability inactive status, respondent must not render legal advice, discuss legal matters with clients, or otherwise engage in the practice of law.

2. Respondent must comply with Rule 26, RLPR (requiring notice of transfer to disability inactive status to clients, opposing counsel, and tribunals).

3. The pending disciplinary investigation of respondent is stayed until such time as respondent petitions for reinstatement to the active practice of law under Rules 18 and 28(d), RLPR. Upon the filing of a petition for reinstatement, the stay of the disciplinary investigation will automatically be lifted. In addition to the requirements of Rules 18 and 28(d), RLPR, the reinstatement proceedings will involve a determination of whether discipline is warranted.

4. Reinstatement is further conditioned on respondent establishing through expert medical evidence that he has undergone treatment and has made recovery such that he is physically and mentally fit to resume the practice of law.

Dated: June 5, 2026

BY THE COURT:

Gordon L. Moore, III
Associated Justice