

FILE NO. _____

STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN SUPREME COURT

In Re Petition for Transfer to Disability
Status of MARIA KATHERINE WOROBY, _____
a Minnesota Attorney,
Registration No. 280288.

**STIPULATION FOR
TRANSFER TO DISABILITY
INACTIVE STATUS**

THIS STIPULATION is entered into by and between Martin A. Cole, Director of the Office of Lawyers Professional Responsibility, hereinafter Director, and Maria Katherine Woroby, attorney, hereinafter respondent.

WHEREAS, respondent has concluded it is in respondent's best interest to enter into this stipulation; and

WHEREAS, respondent has been diagnosed with Major Depressive Disorder and Anxiety Disorder by Regions Hospital in St. Paul, Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, it appears that these problems prevent respondent at this time from competently representing clients within the meaning of Rule 28, Rules on Lawyers Professional Responsibility (RLPR); and

WHEREAS, respondent is the subject of a pending lawyer discipline investigation; and

WHEREAS, respondent's current health problems notwithstanding, respondent understands the allegations in the disciplinary action and her procedural rights; and

WHEREAS, respondent is not currently practicing law; and

WHEREAS, respondent understands that if she denies that she is currently disabled, she would have certain procedural rights under the RLPR and respondent hereby waives any and all such rights.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the undersigned as follows:

1. Respondent understands this stipulation and the accompanying petition for transfer to disability inactive status will be filed with the Clerk of Appellate Courts and will be public record, and that all further proceedings will be of public record. Respondent hereby admits service of the petition and acknowledges receipt of a copy of this stipulation.

2. Respondent has been advised of the right to be represented herein by an attorney but has freely chosen to appear *pro se*.

3. Respondent enters into this stipulation freely and voluntarily, without any coercion, duress or representations by any person except as contained herein.

4. The Director and respondent join in recommending that respondent be transferred to disability inactive status without further proceedings.

5. Respondent understands and agrees that during the period she is on disability inactive status she may not render legal advice, discuss legal matters with clients or otherwise engage in the practice of law.

6. Respondent is the subject of one pending complaint. For purposes of any future reinstatement petition, respondent admits that the factual allegations contained therein are sufficient to support a finding that violations were committed. The complaints may be summarized as follows:

a. Respondent sought to collect outstanding legal fees from a client. In pursuit of the collection of that debt, respondent made a series of at least twelve telephone calls to her client over the course of approximately sixty minutes on or about October 25, 2008. During those telephone calls, respondent made a series of statements which constituted harassment on the basis of religion and/or national origin, in violation of Rule 8.4(g), Minnesota Rules of Professional Conduct.

7. The Director and respondent join in recommending that the pending disciplinary proceedings be stayed until respondent petitions for reinstatement to the practice of law. *See* Rule 28(d), RLPR. Respondent understands and agrees that her admissions above will be binding in that proceeding. Respondent understands and agrees that upon her filing of a petition for reinstatement, the stay of disciplinary proceedings will automatically be lifted, and that, in addition to the requirements of Rules 28(d) and 18, RLPR, during the reinstatement process the pending disciplinary proceeding will resume to determine whether discipline is warranted.

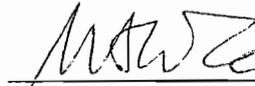
8. Respondent's reinstatement further shall be conditioned upon:

a. As part of the required reinstatement hearing, respondent shall be required to establish through expert psychological or psychiatric evidence that she has undergone treatment and is currently on appropriate medications such that she is psychologically fit to resume the practice of law.

9. Respondent shall arrange that the notice requirements of Rule 26(a)-(c), RLPR, be fulfilled for any remaining active clients and open files.

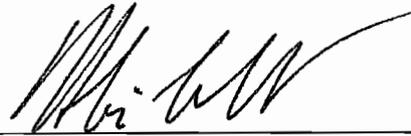
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties executed this stipulation on the dates indicated below.

Dated: January 20, 2010.



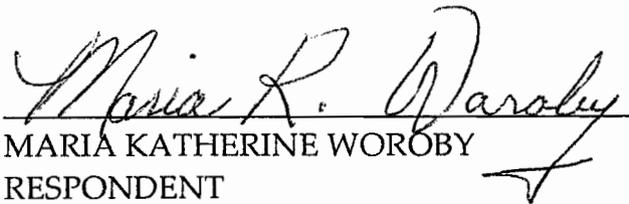
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