

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
IN SUPREME COURT  
File No. C3-82-1664

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LAWYERS PROF. RESP. BOARD

In the Matter of the Application for the  
Discipline of Robert C. Rice, an Attorney  
at Law of the State of Minnesota.

**ORDER**

Following the filing of a petition by the Director of the Lawyers Professional Responsibility Board for the revocation of probation and for further disciplinary action against the respondent, the respondent filed an affidavit with this court which stated that he has been practicing as a sole practitioner and has been overworked, physically and mentally exhausted and unable to complete certain work assigned to him. Thereafter, the Director of the Lawyers Professional Responsibility Board and the respondent entered into a stipulation. The above matter comes before this court upon the stipulation. The court having examined the files and records herein and the stipulation, orders:

1. That the respondent be transferred to disability inactive status, pursuant to Rule 28(a), Rules on Lawyers Professional Responsibility (RLPR), as of July 26, 1985, under the following conditions:

a. The transfer to disability inactive status shall be of indefinite duration, but at least until January 26, 1986.

b. The Director's petition for temporary suspension shall be withdrawn upon the filing of the stipulation.

c. Proceedings based upon the allegations contained in the Director's petition for revocation of probation and for further disciplinary action shall be stayed during the time

respondent is on disability inactive status.

d. At such time as respondent may desire to be removed from disability inactive status, respondent shall have the burden of proving, by clear and convincing evidence, that he is fit to return to the practice of law.

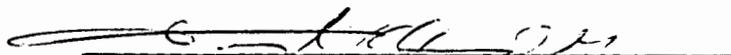
e. If a reinstatement petition is filed, the allegations contained in the Director's petition for revocation of probation and further discipline shall be heard and considered as part of the reinstatement proceeding.

f. Respondent shall continue to transfer all open or incomplete files to another attorney and shall complete transfer of all files no later than July 26, 1985, and provide the Director with verification thereof.

g. Respondent shall comply with Rule 26, Rules on Lawyers Professional Responsibility.

Dated this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1985.

BY THE COURT:

  
Douglas K. Amdahl, Chief Justice

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