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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL : Case No. 2010-1898

Relator :

vs. : AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE

TOM JOHN KARRIS :

Respondent :

AFFIDAVIT OF TOM JOHN KARRIS  
 IN COMPLIANCE WITH SEPTEMBER 1, 2011 ORDER

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TOM JOHN KARRIS :  
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STATE OF OHIO :  
COUNTY OF MEDINA : SS.

Affiant, Tom John Karris, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and states the following:

1. My name is Tom John Karris. When I was admitted to the practice of law in Ohio, I was assigned Attorney Registration Number 0033659.
2. I make this Affidavit in response to the Order issued by The Supreme Court of Ohio on September 1, 2011.
3. I have personal knowledge of the matters referred to herein.
4. I am the subject of the above-captioned proceeding.
5. Immediately upon notice on September 1, 2011, I did cease and desist from the practice of law in any and all forms.

6. Since notice on September 1, 2011, I have not appeared on behalf of another before any court, judge, commission, board, administrative agency or other public authority.

7. Since notice on September 1, 2011, I have not counseled, advised or prepared legal instruments for others or in any manner performed such services.

8. I may receive correspondence and communications at:

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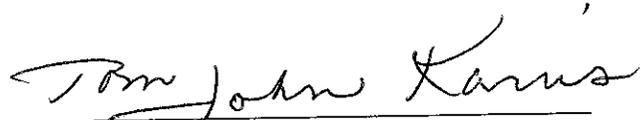
9. In compliance with Paragraphs 1 and 5 of the Honorable Court's Order of September 1, 2011, I have notified by certified mail all clients that were being represented by me in pending matters as of September 1, 2011, that effective September 1, 2011, my license to practice law in the State of Ohio is suspended. Copies of the correspondence and proof of service of said notifications are attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibits A through J.

10. I have filed with the Court in each pending matter, a Notice of Disqualification, in compliance with Paragraphs 4 and 5, as well as notifying ~~each opposing counsel in the pending litigation, or if any party thereto is not~~ represented by legal counsel, notifying that party directly. Copies of the Notices, file stamped by the respective Clerks of Court, and correspondence

and proof of service to opposing counsel and non-represented parties are attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibits K through Q.

11. I have notified each client in matters pending on September 1, 2011 to seek new legal counsel of his or her choosing, or in the event where there is co-counsel, that all further matters regarding their case should be directed to said co-counsel. In three instances, I notified the clients that attorney Brian M. Richter is available to continue the legal representation in their matter, at the client's choosing. In one instance, Brian M. Richter is already co-counsel.
12. I am in compliance with Paragraphs 2 and 3 of the Honorable Court's Order of September 1, 2011 by having returned all unearned fees advanced by clients. I have also either returned all records, papers and other property pertaining to the client's matter or forwarded them to the client's new counsel or co-counsel, if so directed. I had no trust money or other property in my possession or control at the time of the Court's September 1, 2011 Order.
13. I have retained and will maintain a record of the various steps taken pursuant to this Order.
14. I have returned the Attorney Registration Cards for the 2009-2011 and 2011-2013 biennia pursuant to the Order of this Honorable Court as evidenced by the correspondence of September 27, 2011, attached hereto as Exhibit R.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

  
TOM JOHN KARRIS, Affiant pro se

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME this 28 day of September,

2011.

  
NOTARY PUBLIC

**Daron W. Davis French**  
**Notary Public**  
**State of California**  
My Commission Expires March 24, 2014

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

A copy of the foregoing Affidavit of Compliance has been served upon the following by regular U. S. Mail on this 28 day of September, 2011:

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**ATTACHMENT NOT SCANNED**