

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO**

**DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL** : **Case No. 2010-1898**  
**Relator** :  
**vs.** :  
**TOM JOHN KARRIS** : **APPLICATION FOR**  
**Respondent** : **REINSTATEMENT**

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**APPLICATION OF TOM JOHN KARRIS  
FOR REINSTATEMENT FROM SUSPENSION  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE  
SUPREME COURT RULES FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE BAR OF OHIO  
RULE V, SECTION 10(A)(1)**

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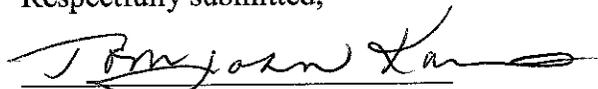
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Now comes, Tom John Karris, appearing pro se, and hereby submits, pursuant to the Supreme Court Rules for Government of the Bar of Ohio, Rule V, Section 10(A)(1), an application to this Honorable Court for reinstatement of his license to practice law in the State of Ohio, in good standing. Tom John Karris' license was suspended for a period of six months by this Court's Order of September 1, 2011. Attached and accompanying this Application is an Affidavit of Tom John Karris, attesting that he has fully complied and adhered to this Honorable Court's Order of September 1, 2011. The term of suspension, 6 months, has been completed as of March 1, 2012.

Therefore, Tom John Karris respectfully requests that his license to practice law (attorney registration number 0033659) be reinstated.

Respectfully submitted,



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AFFIDAVIT OF TOM JOHN KARRIS  
ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION FOR REINSTATEMENT  
FROM SUSPENSION

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<b>TOM JOHN KARRIS</b>	:	
<b>Respondent</b>	:	
 <b>STATE OF OHIO</b>	 :	
	:	<b>SS.</b>
<b>COUNTY OF MEDINA</b>	:	

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 as part of my application for reinstatement of my license to practice law in accordance the Supreme Court Rules for the Government of the Bar of Ohio, Rule V, Section 10(A)(1) and pursuant 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 this 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 was suspended and 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 was not represented by legal counsel, I notified that party directly. I also 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.

10. I complied with Paragraphs 2 and 3 of this Honorable Court's Order of September 1, 2011, returning all unearned fees advanced by clients. I 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 this Court's September 1, 2011 Order.
11. I have retained and will maintain a record of the various steps taken pursuant to this Court's Order of September 1, 2011.
12. I returned the Attorney Registration Cards for the 2009-2011 and 2011-2013 biennia pursuant to the Order of this Honorable Court.
13. I submitted the Affidavit of Compliance and all supporting documentation in accordance with the Court's Order of September 1, 2011.
14. There are no formal disciplinary proceedings pending against me.
15. I have complied with the continuing legal education requirements of Gov. Bar. X, Section 3(G) and have completed 6 hours of continuing legal education, one credit hour of continuing legal education for each month, or portion of a month, of my suspension, including as part of the total credit hours, at least one credit hour of instruction was related to professional conduct for each six months, or portion of six months, of the suspension. Attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibits A-1, A-2, A-2, A-4, A-5

and A-6 are copies of the Certificates of Completion and Receipts for the 6.25 hours of continuing education I have completed pursuant to this Court's Order.

16. On this March 1, 2012, immediately prior to submitting this application for reinstatement, I am paying in full the costs of the proceedings as ordered by this Court.

17. I have had no notice of Clients' Security Fund awards against me pursuant to Gov.Bar R. VIII(7)(F), and therefore there has been no requirement to reimburse the fund.

18. I have completed the entire term of my suspension, 6 months from September 1, 2011 until February 29, 2012, in full compliance and adherence with the Court's Order of September 1, 2011.

19. I have paid all attorney registration fees current to the most recent fees imposed for the biennial period beginning September 1, 2011.

20. I am requesting reinstatement of my license to practice law in good standing.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.



TOM JOHN KARRIS, Affiant pro se

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME this 1st day of March, 2012.

  
NOTARY PUBLIC

BRIAN M. RICHTER, ATTORNEY  
Notary Public - State of Ohio  
My Commission Has No Expiration  
Ohio Revised Code 147.07

**ATTACHMENT NOT SCANNED**