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ACTION ON ADJUDICATION OF INCOMPETENCY OR INCAPACITY

(a) Grounds. The Association must automatically transfer a lawyer from active to disability inactive membership status upon receipt of a certified copy of the judgment, order, or other appropriate document demonstrating that the lawyer:

(1) was found to be incapable of assisting in their own defense in a criminal action;

(2) was acquitted of a crime based on insanity;

(3) had a guardian (but not a limited guardian) appointed for themselves or their estate on a judicial finding of incapacity;

(4) was involuntarily committed to a mental health facility for more than 14 days under 71.05 RCW; or

(5) was found to be mentally incapable of conducting the practice of law in any other jurisdiction.

(b) Notice to Lawyer. The Association must forthwith notify the disabled lawyer and their guardian or guardian ad litem, if any, of the transfer to disability inactive status. The Association must also notify the Supreme Court of the transfer and provide a copy of the judgment, order, or other appropriate document on which the transfer was based.

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