

STATE OF MINNESOTA
IN SUPREME COURT
A11-0805



In re Petition for Reinstatement to the
Practice of Law of Francis Donald Collins,
Registration No. 126809.

O R D E R

Petitioner Francis Donald Collins was admitted to practice law in the State of Minnesota in 1981. In January 2010, petitioner voluntarily resigned from the practice of law in Minnesota but continued to practice in Wisconsin, where he has been licensed since 1981. On May 2, 2011, petitioner filed a petition for reinstatement to the practice of law in Minnesota pursuant to Rule 18(a), Rules on Lawyers Professional Responsibility (RLPR). The Director of the Office of Lawyers Professional Responsibility investigated the matter and reported his conclusions to a panel of the Lawyers Professional Responsibility Board, pursuant to Rule 18(b), RLPR.

After considering the submissions of the parties, the panel found that petitioner has proven by clear and convincing evidence his ethical fitness and competence to practice law and has met all of the conditions for reinstatement.

The court has independently reviewed the file and approves the panel's recommendation.

Based upon all the files, records, and proceedings herein,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that petitioner Francis Donald Collins is reinstated to the practice of law, subject to payment of the applicable registration fee under Rule 2, Rules of the Supreme Court on Lawyer Registration.

Dated: September 20, 2011

BY THE COURT:

/s/

Alan C. Page
Associate Justice