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IN RE PETITION OF JESSICA TONES FOR
REINSTATEMENT TO ACTIVE STATUS IN
THE STATE BAR OF MONTANA.

Jessica Tones has petitioned this Court for reinstatement to active status in the State Bar of Montana after being placed on inactive status for noncompliance with continuing legal education (CLE) requirements in 2015. Tones has now satisfied her outstanding CLE requirements. In February 2016, Tones was charged with violating § 61-8-406(1)(a), MCA, which is pending before the Gallatin County Justice Court. Tones has not accrued delinquent debt or filed for bankruptcy, failed to fulfill the obligations of a public office or other professional license, or committed acts or omissions that would be sanctionable under the Montana Rules of Professional Conduct. Therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Petitioner shall submit to an investigation by the Commission on Character and Fitness. Petitioner shall comply with the character and fitness process and timely produce information and documentation as requested by the Commission. The Commission will investigate Petitioner's character and fitness in accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Commission on Character and Fitness. The Commission may, in its discretion, conduct a limited investigation. The Commission will advise the Court whether the Petitioner has been certified, conditionally certified, or denied certification. If the Commission denies certification, the Commission will issue written findings of fact, conclusions of law, and a decision pursuant to Section 5(c)(6) of the Rules of Procedure of the Commission on Character and Fitness.


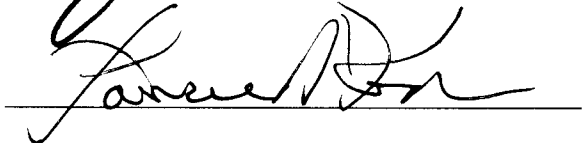
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the Petitioner is certified or conditionally certified by the Commission on Character and Fitness, the Petitioner shall be admitted to

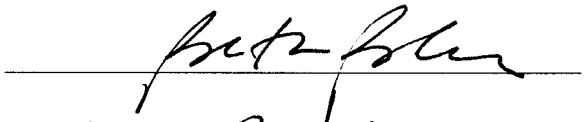
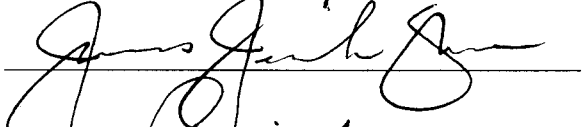
the active practice of law in Montana upon payment of the appropriate dues and fees to the State Bar of Montana.

The Clerk is directed to provide copies of this order to the Petitioner and the State Bar of Montana.

DATED this 6th day of September, 2016.


Chief Justice



Patricia Cottler

Justices