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Board of Commissioners
Big Horn County, Montana

RE: STATUS OF COUNTY ATTORNEY

July 27, 2021

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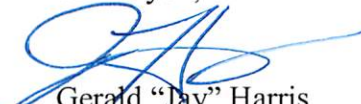
Gentlemen,

I received indication from local media that a public release was issued from the Board of Commissioners earlier today that essentially states the Commission does not consider me the County Attorney in light of the July 12, 2021 inactive status I was placed on due to lacking 1.75 continuing legal education (CLE) credits for CLE reporting year 2020-21.

Simply put, there is *no excuse* for the delay in attaining the CLE credits necessary – the explanation is simply that it constitutes an oversight on my part. The date I received notice (July 14, 2021) of being placed on inactive status is the same day I completed the CLE requirements by on-line course and paid the \$200 reinstatement fee and \$50 late fee.

Attached is a copy of the Montana Supreme Court order reinstating to active status. In the future, please feel free to communicate any concerns with me. My Office is committed to professionalism and maintaining a healthy working relationship between local elected public officials.

Thank you,


Gerald "Jay" Harris
County Attorney

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Bowen Greenwood
CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT
STATE OF MONTANA

Case Number: PR 06-0544

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Bowen Greenwood
Clerk of Supreme Court
State of Montana
ORDER

IN RE PETITION OF GERALD R. HARRIS FOR
REINSTATEMENT TO ACTIVE STATUS IN THE
BAR OF MONTANA

Gerald R. Harris has petitioned the Court for reinstatement to active status in the State Bar of Montana. Harris was placed on inactive status on July 12, 2021, for failing to comply with the Rules for Continuing Legal Education for the reporting year ending March 31, 2021. Attached to the Petition is a letter from the State Bar stating that Harris has now completed all CLE requirements for that reporting year. The Petition states that Harris is not currently subject to disciplinary proceedings and has not committed any acts or omissions sanctionable under the Rules of Professional Conduct while on inactive status. Good cause appearing,

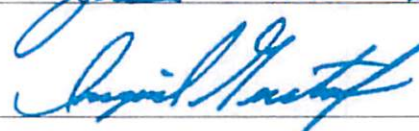
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the petition of Gerald R. Harris for reinstatement to active status in the State Bar of Montana is GRANTED. Upon payment of any remaining dues, fees, and the state license tax to the State Bar of Montana, Harris shall be reinstated.

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

DATED this 27th day of July, 2021.



Chief Justice



James Nelson

James Joseph Green

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Justices