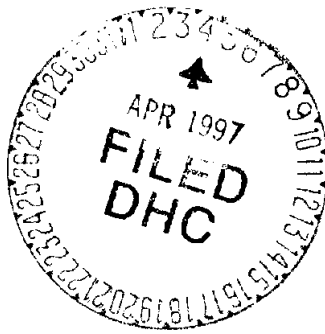


NORTH CAROLINA
WAKE COUNTY



BEFORE THE COUNCIL
OF THE
NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR
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IN THE MATTER OF THE)
TENDER OF LICENSE OF:)
GEORGE WILBORN RIVES,)
Attorney)

ORDER OF DISBARMENT

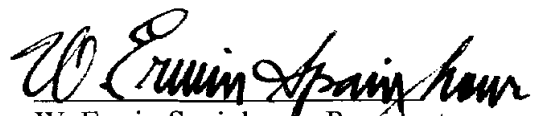
This matter coming on to be heard and being heard on April 4, 1997 before the Council of the North Carolina State Bar pursuant to 27 N.C.A.C. 1B, §.0117 upon the tender of surrender of the license of George Wilborn Rives made by affidavit sworn to and subscribed on February 27, 1997 and filed in the office of the North Carolina State Bar on March 3, 1997; and

BASED UPON the contents of the affidavit, the Council finds that the conduct of George Wilborn Rives is grounds for discipline pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 84-28(b)(2) in that Rives misappropriated clients' funds in violation of Rules 1.2(b) & (c) and 10.1(a) & (c) of the NC Rules of Professional Conduct found in 27 N.C.A.C. 2.

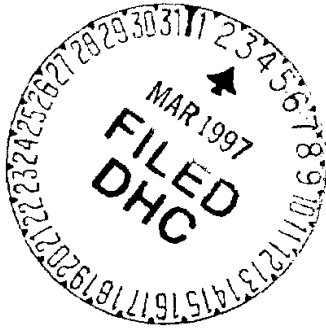
WHEREFORE, upon motion duly made and seconded, the Council enters the following ORDER:

1. The tender of surrender of license of George Wilborn Rives is hereby accepted.
2. GEORGE WILBORN RIVES is hereby DISBARRED from the practice of law in North Carolina.
3. George Wilborn Rives shall forthwith surrender his license certificate and membership card to the Secretary.
4. George Wilborn Rives shall comply with the provisions of 27 N.C.A.C. 1B, §.0124 within the time limits contained in that section.
5. George Wilborn Rives is taxed with the costs of this action as assessed by the Secretary.

DONE AND ORDERED this the 4th day of April, 1997.


W. Erwin Spainhour, President
North Carolina State Bar

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AFFIDAVIT TENDERING THE SURRENDER OF THE LICENSE OF
GEORGE WILBORN RIVES

I, George Wilborn Rives, being first duly sworn, say:

1. I desire to resign and hereby tender my license to practice law in North Carolina pursuant to the provisions of Section .0117 of Subchapter 1B of the Rules and Regulations of the North Carolina State Bar;

2. My resignation is freely and voluntarily rendered. It is not the result of coercion or duress. I am fully aware of the implication of submitting my resignation.

3. I am aware that there is presently pending an investigation regarding allegations that I have been guilty of misconduct by misappropriating funds in my trust account.

4. I acknowledge that the material facts upon which the investigation is predicated are true.

5. My resignation is being submitted because I know that if charges were predicated upon the misconduct under investigation, I could not successfully defend against them.

6. I am aware that, pursuant to the provisions of Section .0117 (b), this tender of my license will be on the agenda of the Council of the North Carolina State Bar at its meeting on Friday, April 4, 1997, and I waive any further notice of it being so scheduled.

Respectfully submitted, this the 27 day of February 1997.

George Wilborn Rives
George Wilborn Rives

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this the 27th day of February, 1997.

Dorothy S. Tate
Notary Public

My commission expires:

DOROTHY S. TATE
NOTARY PUBLIC
GUILFORD COUNTY, N.C.
Commission expires 6-1-2004