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NORTH CAROLINA

WAKE COUNTY



BEFORE THE DISCIPLINARY HEARING COMMISSION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR 03 DHC 24

In re: Meg Scott Phipps, Attorney at Law

Order of Disbarment

THIS MATTER coming before the undersigned Chair of the Disciplinary Hearing Commission pursuant to 27 N.C. Admin. Code Chapter 1, Subchapter B, § .0117(d) of the N.C. State Bar Discipline & Disability Rules upon the defendant's Affidavit of the Tender of Surrender of License executed on the 9th day of March, 2004 and filed with the undersigned on the 23rd day of March, 2004 and the undersigned finds from the record and that Affidavit the following:

- 1. The defendant's Tender of Surrender was freely and voluntarily rendered, was not the result of coercion or duress, and the Defendant was fully aware of the implications of submitting her Tender of Surrender of License. The defendant has had representation of counsel.
- 2. The defendant is aware that by submitting the Tender of Surrender of License, she is waiving the right to defend herself at a hearing based on a formal complaint. Defendant, through counsel, has waived the filing of a formal complaint in this matter and consents to the entry of this Order.
- 3. The defendant has admitted that the material facts upon which any complaint that would be filed by the State Bar based on her criminal convictions are true.
- 4. The defendant is currently under an interim suspension from the practice of law based on her convictions in both federal and state court of the criminal offenses of perjury, aiding and abetting perjury, obstruction of justice, and conspiracy to obstruct justice. Defendant freely and voluntarily consented to the entry of that order of interim suspension.
- 5. The defendant's Tender of Surrender of License was submitted because the defendant knows that she could not successfully defend against any disciplinary charges filed by the State Bar in this matter.

BASED UPON the foregoing findings, the undersigned concludes as follows:

- (a) The defendant's Affidavit of Tender of Surrender of License meets the requirements of 27 N.C. Admin. Code Chapter 1, Subchapter B, § .0117(d) of the N.C. State Bar Discipline & Disability Rules.
- (b) The Tender of Surrender of License of the defendant should be accepted.
- (c) The facts as found constitute grounds for disbarment.

THEREFORE it is hereby ORDERED:

- 1. The defendant, Meg Scott Phipps, is hereby DISBARRED from the practice of law in North Carolina.
- 2. The defendant shall submit her license and membership card to the Secretary of the North Carolina State Bar no later than 30 days following service of this order upon the defendant.
- 3. The defendant shall pay the costs of this proceeding as assessed by the Secretary within 30 days following service of this order upon the defendant.
- 4. The defendant shall comply with all provisions of 27 N.C. Admin. Code Chapter 1, Subchapter B, § .0124 of the N.C. State Bar Discipline & Disbarment Rules.

This the 2 day of Agri

2004.

Richard T. Gammon, Chair

Disciplinary Hearing Commission