


BEFORE THE DISCIPLINARY HEARING COMMISSION
OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR
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ORDER OF DISBARMENT



William O. King, President
North Carolina State Bar

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF WAKE

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TO: The Council of the North Carolina State Bar

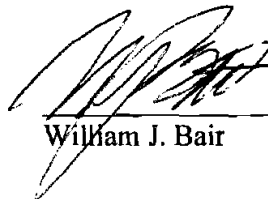
I, William J. Bair, hereby tender my license to practice and desire to resign from the North Carolina State Bar. My resignation is extended freely and voluntarily, and is not the result of coercion or duress, and I am fully aware of the implications of submitting this, my resignation.

I am aware that there is presently pending an investigation or other proceedings regarding allegations that I have been guilty of misconduct, specifically that:

1. Between May and October 1996, I misappropriated for my own use and benefit \$22,552.60 of funds I was holding in my trust account for my client, Wingate T. Jones.
2. After the allegations were filed, the State Bar began an investigation. I had discussions with the State Bar, provided all information requested, and fully cooperated in the investigation.
3. On July 9, 1998, I repaid \$22,552.60 to Mr. Jones.

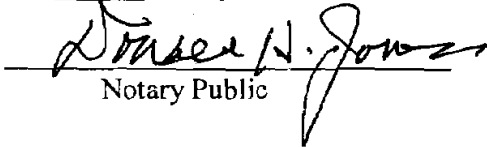
I acknowledge that the facts as set forth in paragraphs 1, 2, and 3 are true. I am submitting my resignation because I know if charges were predicated upon the misconduct under investigation, I could not successfully defend against them.

This the 9th of July 1998.



William J. Bair

Sworn to and subscribed before me,
this 9th of July 1998.



Notary Public

My Commission Expires: July 5, 2000