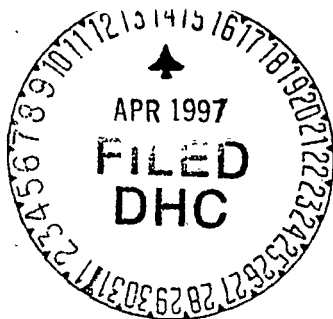


NORTH CAROLINA  
WAKE COUNTY



18035  
BEFORE THE SECRETARY  
OF THE  
NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR  
97 BSR 2

IN THE REINSTATEMENT OF:

PATRICK H. COLLINS

ORDER OF REINSTATEMENT

This matter is before the Secretary of the North Carolina State Bar pursuant to a petition for reinstatement filed on March 14, 1997 by Patrick H. Collins.

It appears from a review of the order of discipline entered on January 30, 1997 that petitioner was ordered suspended from the practice of law for six months effective October 11, 1996.

It further appears from the verified petition filed by petitioner that petitioner:

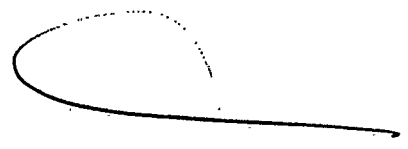
1. Has complied with 27 NCAC 1B, § .0124 of the Discipline and Disability Rules of the North Carolina State Bar;
2. Has complied with the Order of Reciprocal Discipline;
3. Has not engaged in the unauthorized practice of law during the period of suspension of his license; and
4. Has not engaged in any conduct during the period of suspension constituting grounds for discipline under NCGS § 84-28(b).

After conducting the necessary investigation regarding the compliance of the petitioner with the requirements set forth in 27 NCAC 1B, § .0125(B)(3), counsel for the North Carolina State Bar has not filed any objection to the petition within the time required by 27 NCAC 1B, § .0125(b)(4).

THEREFORE, pursuant to 27 NCAC 1B, § .0125(B)(5) of the Discipline and Disability Rules of the North Carolina State Bar, it is hereby ORDERED:

Patrick H. Collins is reinstated to the active practice of law in North Carolina as of the date of this order.

This is the 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1997.

  
L. Thomas Lunsford, II  
Secretary  
North Carolina State Bar