## WAKE COUNTY

NORTH CAROLINA

BEFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE WORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR 10 BCS 2

IN RE: TENDER OF SURRENDER OF LICENSE OF

JONATHAN A. MCCOLLUM

ORDER OF DISBARMENT

THIS MATTER was heard by the Council of the North Carolina State Bar pursuant to 27 N.C.A.C. 1B §.0117 (a) of the State Bar Discipline and Disability Rules upon the affidavit of surrender of license executed by Jonathan A. McCollum and filed in the offices of the State Bar on 22 October 2010.

Based on the affidavit, the Council finds that Jonathan A. McCollum forged two documents purporting to be judicial orders, made misrepresentations to his clients about those documents, and initially made false statements in response to the State Bar's inquiry about those documents. In connection with this conduct, McCollum pled guilty to misdemeanor forgery in Wake County file no. 10 CR 208059. This conduct constitutes grounds for discipline pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 84-28 (b)(1) and (b)(2), in that McCollum was convicted of a criminal offense showing professional unfitness and violated Rule 8.4 of the Rules of Professional Conduct.

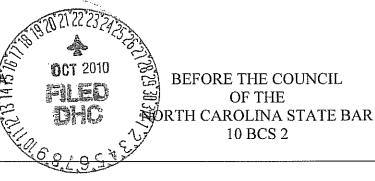
WHEREFORE, upon motion made and duly seconded, the Council enters the following Order:

- 1. The tender of surrender of the license of Jonathan A. McCollum is hereby accepted.
- 2. Jonathan A. McCollum is hereby DISBARRED from the practice of law in North Carolina.
- 3. Jonathan A. McCollum shall comply with the provisions of 27 NCAC 1B § .0124 of the State Bar Discipline and Disability Rules and shall surrender his license and permanent membership card to the Secretary of the North Carolina State Bar along with the affidavit required by 27 NCAC 1B § .0124 of the State Bar Discipline and Disability Rules.

4. The costs of this action are taxed against Jonathan A. McCollum.

Done and ordered this the 29th day of October, 2010.

Barbara B. Weyher, President The North Carolina State Bar



## AFFIDAVIT OF SURRENDER

JONATHAN A. MCCOLLUM, being first duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

- 1. I desire to resign and hereby tender my license to practice law in North Carolina pursuant to State Bar Discipline & Disability Rule 27 NCAC 1B §.0117.
- 2. My resignation is freely and voluntarily rendered, and is not the result of coercion or duress. I am fully aware of the implications of submitting my resignation.
- 3. I am aware that there is a pending investigation by the State Bar into various matters including allegations that I forged two documents purporting to be judicial orders, made misrepresentations to my clients about those documents, and initially made false statements in response to the State Bar's inquiry about those documents. In connection with this conduct, I pled guilty to misdemeanor forgery in Wake County file no. 10 CR 208059.
- 4. I acknowledge that the material facts upon which the State Bar's investigation is predicated are true.
- 5. I am submitting my resignation because I know that if disciplinary charges were predicated upon the misconduct under investigation, I could not successfully defend against them.

This is the  $\frac{22^{n}}{3}$  day of October, 2010.

MATHAN-A. MCCOLLUM

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 22 day of (X) 1000, 2010.

Notary Public Chlor Strwart

My commission expires: FQD. 19, 2012