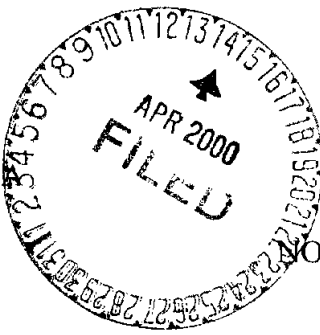


NORTH CAROLINA
WAKE COUNTY



BEFORE THE COUNCIL
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IN THE MATTER OF THE TENDER)
OF SURRENDER OF LICENSE) ORDER OF DISBARMENT
OF PAUL RIFFLE)

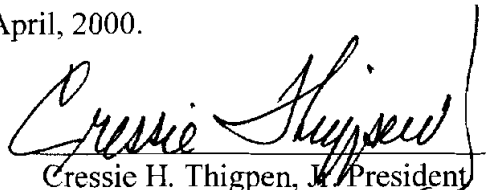
THIS MATTER coming on to be heard and being heard by the Council of the North Carolina State Bar pursuant to 27 N.C. Admin. Code Chapter 1, Subchapter B, § .0117(a) of the State Bar Discipline & Disability Rules upon an affidavit of tender of surrender of license executed by Paul Riffle on Feb. 2, 2000 and filed in the offices of the North Carolina State Bar on or about Feb. 7, 2000.

Based upon the affidavit, the Council finds that Paul Riffle's conduct of misappropriating client funds is grounds for discipline pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 84-28(b)(2) in that Paul Riffle violated Rules 1.2(b)(and (c) 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 license of Paul Riffle is hereby accepted.
2. Paul Riffle is hereby is DISBARRED from the practice of law in North Carolina.
3. Paul Riffle shall comply with the provisions of 27 N.C.A.C. Chapter 1, Subchapter B, § .0124 of the State Bar Discipline & Disbarment 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 § .0124 of the State Bar Discipline & Disbarment Rules.
4. The costs of this action are taxed against Paul Riffle.

Done and ordered this 14th day of April, 2000.


Cressie H. Thigpen, J. President
The N.C. State Bar

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AFFIDAVIT

To: The Council of the North Carolina State Bar

I, Paul Riffle, hereby tender my license to practice law 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 pending an investigation regarding allegations that, while serving as the attorney for the personal administrator of the Edna Rogers estate, I misappropriated estate funds for my personal use.

I acknowledge that the material facts alleged herein are true and am submitting my resignation because I know that I cannot successfully defend against these allegations.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, this the 2ND day of February, 2000.

Paul Riffle
Paul Riffle

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

Feb
the 2 day of January, 2000

Rodney W. Robinson
Notary Public

My commission expires: Aug 3, 2004

