**WAKE COUNTY** 

NORTH CAROLINA

BEFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR 07 BCS 1

IN THE MATTER OF THE TENDER OF LICENSE OF: EDWIN A. PETERS

ORDER OF DISBARMENT

THIS MATTER was heard by the Council of the North Carolina State Bar pursuant to Section .0117 of Subchapter B of the Rules and Regulations of the North Carolina State Bar upon the affidavit of tender of surrender of license executed by Edwin A. Peters on April 16, 2007, and filed in the offices of the State Bar on April 18, 2007.

Based on the affidavit, the Council finds that Edwin A. Peters misappropriated funds belonging to his clients in an amount of at least \$8281.85 and converted the money to his own use and benefit. The Council also finds that Edwin A. Peters has waived his rights to further notice of this meeting. The Council concludes that the conduct of Edwin A. Peters constitutes grounds for discipline under N.C. Gen. Stat. § 84-28 (b) (2), in that Peters violated Rule 1.15-2(j), Rule 1.15-3 and Rule 8.4 (b) and (c) of the Revised Rules of Professional Conduct and that the Council may enter an order of discipline accordingly.

WHEREFORE, upon motion made and duly seconded, the Council of the North Carolina State Bar enters the following Order:

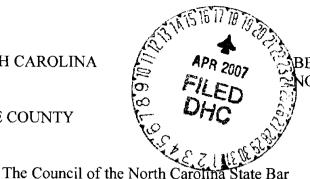
- 1. The tender of surrender of the license of Edwin A. Peters is hereby accepted.
- 2. Edwin A. Peters is hereby DISBARRED from the practice of law in North Carolina.
- 3. Edwin A. Peters shall comply with the provisions of Subchapter B, Section .0124 of the Rules and Regulations of the North Carolina State Bar and shall surrender his license and permanent membership card to the Secretary of the North Carolina State Bar along with the affidavit required by Subchapter B, Section .0124.
- 4. The costs of this action are taxed against Edwin A. Peters.

Done and ordered this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2007.

Steven D. Michael, President The North Carolina State Bar NORTH CAROLINA

WAKE COUNTY

TO:



BEFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE ORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR

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## AFFIDAVIT OF SURRENDER

Edwin A. Peters, 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 the provisions of 27 N.C. Admin. Code Chapter 1, Subchapter B, Section .0117 of the N.C. State Bar Discipline & Disability Rules.
- My resignation and surrender is freely and voluntarily rendered. It is not the result of coercion or duress. I am fully aware of the implication of submitting my resignation.
- 3. I am aware that there is pending an investigation by the North Carolina State Bar regarding allegations that I misappropriated at least \$8,281.85 in client and/or fiduciary funds.
- 4. I acknowledge that the material facts upon which the investigation is based 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.
- I understand that this Affidavit of Surrender will be tendered to the 6. Council of the North Carolina State Bar at their meeting on April 20, 2007 and I hereby waive further notice of that meeting.

This the **th** day of April 2007.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the  $\sqrt{\frac{4h}{a}}$  day of April, 2007.

Notary Public

My commission expires: Feb. 19,2012