STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

WAKE COUNTY

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BEFORE THE COUNCIL
OF THE
NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR
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IN THE MATTER OF THE TENDER 22

OF SURRENDER OF LICENSE OF THE BAR RAFFORD JONES

ORDER OF DISCIPLINE

This matter coming on to be heard and being heard by the Council of The North Carolina State Bar pursuant to Section 17 of Article IX of the Rules and Regulations of The North Carolina State Bar on April 8, 1983, upon the tender of surrender of license of Rafford Jones, and

It further appearing that Rafford Jones filed an affidavit in support of his surrender of license on February 18, 1983 pursuant to Section 17(1) of Article IX of the Rules and Regulations of The North Carolina State Bar, and

Based upon the affidavit of Rafford Jones, the Council makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. In two different real estate transactions with respect to which Rafford Jones acted as attorney and received funds belonging to clients in trust, Rafford Jones misappropriated for his own use the sums of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) and six hundred eighty-seven dollars (\$687.00) respectively.
 - 2. All misappropriated funds were subsequently repaid in full.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The affidavit filed by Rafford Jones on February 18, 1983 meets the requirements of Section 17 of the Rules and Regulations of The North Carolina State Bar and should be accepted.

2. By converting funds belonging to his client's to his own use, Rafford Jones engaged in illegal conduct involving moral turpitude in violation of Disciplinary Rule 1-102(A)(3) of the North Carolina Code of Professional Responsibility, and engaged in conduct involving dishonesty in violation of Disciplinary Rule 1-102(A)(4) of the North Carolina Code of Professional Responsibility.

NOW, THEREFORE, UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

- 1. That the surrendered license of Rafford Jones be accepted.
- 2. That Rafford Jones be and hereby is DISBARRED.
- 3. That the costs of this action be taxed against Rafford Jones.

By Order of the Council of The North Carolina State Bar this the 8th day of April, 1983.

Louis J. Fisher, Jr., President The North Carolina State Bar