

1. By (a) engaging in a conspiracy with members of Mortgage Fraud Cell Nos. 1, 2, 4 and 5 to commit offenses against the United States, including making a false statement in relation to a

loan, and engaging in mail fraud, wire fraud and bank fraud in violation of 18 U.S.C. 1014, 1341, 1343 and 1344; and (b) engaging in a conspiracy with members of Mortgage Fraud Cell Nos. 1, 2, 4 and 5 to launder monetary proceeds of fraudulent real estate transactions in violation of 18 U.S.C. 1956(h), Gates violated Rules 8.4(b) and (c) of the North Carolina Revised Rules of Professional Conduct.

2. Gates' misconduct constitutes grounds for discipline pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. Section 84-28(b)(2).

IT IS NOW, THEREFORE, **ORDERED**:

1. Christine C. Gates is DISBARRED from the practice of law in North Carolina.

2. Christine C. Gates shall comply with the provisions of Subchapter B, Section .0124 of the Rules and Regulations of the North Carolina State Bar and shall surrender her license and permanent membership card to the Secretary of the North Carolina State Bar along with the affidavit required by Subchapter B, Section .0124.

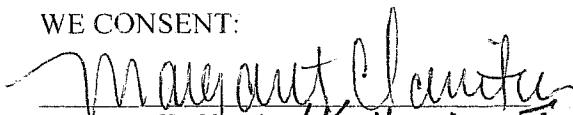
3. The costs of this action are taxed against Christine C. Gates.

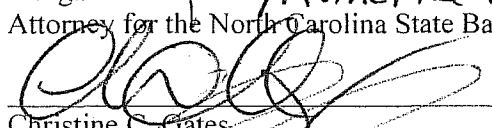
Done and Ordered this 3 day of AUG, 2009.

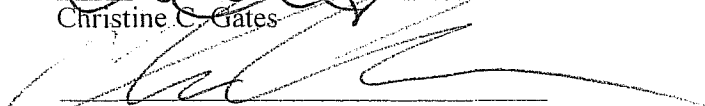


Superior Court Judge Presiding

WE CONSENT:

  
Margaret T. Cloutier / Katherine Jean  
Attorney for the North Carolina State Bar

  
Christine C. Gates

  
Christopher G. Chagaris  
Attorney for Respondent

WAKE COUNTY  
NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE GENERAL COURTS OF JUSTICE  
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION  
09 CVS

THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR,  
PETITIONER,  
v.

CHRISTINE C. GATES, ATTORNEY,  
RESPONDENT.


# AFFIDAVIT OF SURRENDER OF LAW LICENSE

Christine C. Gates, 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.
2. My resignation 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 regarding allegations that I (a) engaged in a conspiracy with members of Mortgage Fraud Cell Nos. 1, 2, 4 and 5 to commit offenses against the United States, including making a false statement in relation to a loan, and engaging in mail fraud, wire fraud and bank fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. 1014, 1341, 1343 and 1344; and (b) engaged in a conspiracy with members of Mortgage Fraud Cell Nos. 1, 2, 4 and 5 to launder monetary proceeds of fraudulent real estate transactions in violation of 18 U.S.C. 1956(h).
4. I have entered a plea of guilty to these charges. I am in fact guilty of these charges.
5. I acknowledge the truth of the material facts upon which the investigation is predicated.
6. I know that if disciplinary charges were predicated upon the misconduct under investigation, I could not successfully defend against them.

This the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

2009.



Christine C. Gates

I, RENNE A. Powers, Notary Public of the County of Tredell, State of North Carolina, certify that Christine C. Gates personally appeared before me this day, was sworn, attested that the foregoing Affidavit is true and accurate of her own personal knowledge, and executed the foregoing Affidavit.

This the 28 day of July, 2009.

This the 28 day of July, 2000  
Genae H Powers  
 Notary Public

My Commission Expires: Feb. 4, 2012

**RENAE H. POWERS**  
Notary Public  
North Carolina  
Iredell County