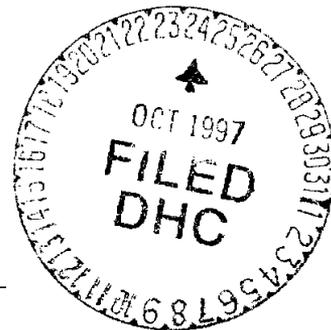


WAKE COUNTY  
NORTH CAROLINA

BEFORE THE DISCIPLINARY HEARING COMMISSION  
OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR  
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IN THE MATTER OF THE )  
TENDER OF LICENSE OF: )  
CHARLES S. FOX ) ORDER OF DISBARMENT  
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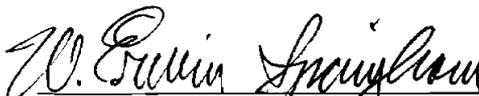
THIS MATTER coming to be heard and being heard by the Council of the North Carolina State Bar pursuant to Section 17 of Article IX of the Rules and Regulations of the North Carolina State Bar upon an affidavit of tender of license pursuant to Section 17(A) executed by Charles S. Fox on October 17, 1997, and filed in the offices of the North Carolina State Bar on October 23, 1997.

Based upon the affidavit, the Council finds that Charles S. Fox's conduct of engaging in inappropriate and nonconsensual sexual behavior with several of his female clients and requesting one of them to sign a document purporting to release him from all legal claims is grounds for discipline pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. Section 84-28(b)(2) in that Charles S. Fox violated Rule 1.2(b) & (d), Rule 5.1(b) and Rule 5.8 of the Rules of Professional Conduct.

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

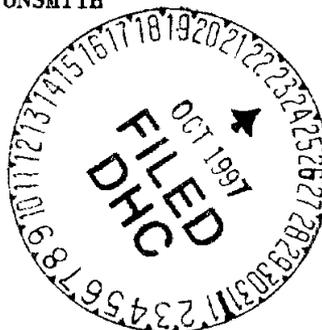
1. The tender of surrender of license of Charles S. Fox be accepted.
2. Charles S. Fox be and hereby is DISBARRED from the practice of law in North Carolina.
3. Charles S. Fox shall comply with the provisions of Article IX, Section 24 of the Rules and Regulations of the North Carolina State Bar and shall surrender his license and permanent membership card to the Secretary of the North Carolina State Bar along with the affidavit required by Article IX, Section 24.
4. That the costs of this action be taxed against Charles S. Fox.

Done and Ordered this 24<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1997.

  
W. Erwin Spainhour, President  
North Carolina State Bar

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF WAKE



AFFIDAVIT

TO: The Council of the North Carolina State Bar

I, Charles S. Fox, hereby tender my license to practice 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 presently pending an investigation or other proceedings regarding allegations that I have been guilty of misconduct, specifically that:

1. I engaged in inappropriate and nonconsensual sexual behavior on several occasions in my law office with several different female clients, all of whom I was representing at the time, or was consulting with about the possibility of representing them, on pending domestic legal matters.
2. I had one of these clients execute a document purporting to release me from any and all legal claims, in exchange for a refund of the fee she paid me.

I acknowledge that the material facts as set forth in paragraphs 1 and 2 are true. I am submitting my resignation because I know if charges were predicated upon the misconduct under investigation, I could not successfully defend against them.

This the 17<sup>th</sup> of October, 1997.

*Charles S. Fox*  
Charles S. Fox

Sworn to and subscribed before me,  
this 17<sup>th</sup> of October, 1997.

*Bobbi L. Mattocks*  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 3-17-2001

