

NORTH CAROLINA
WAKE COUNTY

BEFORE THE COUNCIL
OF THE
NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR

IN THE MATTER OF
CHARLES E. DAMERON, III
Attorney at Law,
Greensboro, North Carolina

O R D E R

This cause coming on for consideration by the Council of The North Carolina State Bar at its quarterly meeting on Friday, January 13, 1978, in the State Bar offices, 107 Fayetteville Street Mall, Raleigh, North Carolina, upon the Tender of Surrender of License by Charles E. Dameron, III, Attorney, of Greensboro, North Carolina, pursuant to Section 17 of Article IX of the Rules and Regulations of The North Carolina State Bar entitled "Surrender of License While Proceeding Pending", and it appearing from Mr. Dameron's sworn affidavit, the Tender of License filed in this cause, and from the "Statement of Counsel" furnished to the Council by Mr. Dameron's attorney, Richard L. Wharton, Esquire, Attorney of Greensboro, North Carolina, the Council finds the following facts.

1. That Charles E. Dameron, III was duly licensed to practice law in the Courts of the State of North Carolina on September 8, 1961.

2. That from 1965 until October, 1976, Charles E. Dameron, III was associated with a number of law firms or engaged in the private practice of law in Greensboro, North Carolina.

3. That on December 21, 1977, Charles E. Dameron, III entered a plea of guilty and was convicted in the District Court in The General Court of Justice of Guilford County of violating N.C.G.S. 14-97, in that he took funds belonging to a partnership business of which he was a partner and appropriated the same to his own personal use.

4. That upon the plea of guilty and conviction of N.C.G.S. 14-97, the Trial Judge sentenced Charles E. Dameron, III to a sentence of not less than eighteen (18) months nor more than twenty-four (24) months suspended for a period of four (4) years on the conditions that a fine and costs be paid and that Charles E. Dameron, III surrender his license to practice law to The North Carolina State Bar and shall not apply for a return of his license to practice law for a period of three (3) years.

5. That Charles E. Dameron, III acknowledges the charges of which he was convicted constitute misconduct and acknowledges the truth of the facts which constitute the misconduct and desires to resign and surrender his license to practice law.

6. That the Tender of Surrender of his license by Charles E. Dameron, III is freely and voluntarily tendered; that it is not the result of coercion or duress; and that Charles E. Dameron, III is fully aware of the implications of submitting this tender of license.

7. That Charles E. Dameron, III does not desire to contest the charges of misconduct now under investigation by The North Carolina State Bar and feels if the charges were litigated, he could not successfully defend himself against the charges.

After giving full consideration to the facts found by the Council in this case, based upon the affidavit of Charles E. Dameron, III and the "Statement of Counsel" of his attorney, Richard L. Wharton, Esquire, the Council concludes that Charles E. Dameron's, III misconduct is a violation of DR 1-102(A)(3) and (4) of the Code of Professional Responsibility and upon motion duly made and seconded, the Council:

RESOLVED, that the license to practice law in North Carolina heretofore issued to Charles E. Dameron, III, of

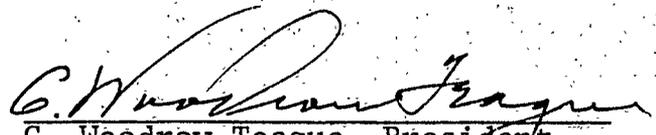
Greensboro, North Carolina, and being tendered by Charles E. Dameron, III, through his attorney, Richard L. Wharton, Esquire, be accepted as a surrender of license and Charles E. Dameron, III is disbarred from the practice of law in North Carolina beginning January 13, 1978.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Charles E. Dameron, III be taxed with the cost of this proceeding; be it further resolved that the President is authorized and directed to enter an appropriate order.

Pursuant to the resolution adopted by the Council of The North Carolina State Bar, Charles E. Dameron, III is hereby disbarred from the practice of law in North Carolina from January 13, 1978 and that he is not to engage in the practice of law in North Carolina hereafter; that he be taxed with the cost of this proceeding; that a copy of this order be forwarded to the General Court of Justice of the State of North Carolina and to the appropriate authorities of the United States Federal Courts in the State of North Carolina.

Done at Raleigh, North Carolina, pursuant to the resolution duly adopted by the Council of The North Carolina State Bar on January 13, 1978.

This the 30th day of January, 1978.


C. Woodrow Teague, President
The North Carolina State Bar