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NORTH CAROLINA  
WAKE COUNTY



BEFORE THE  
DISCIPLINARY HEARING COMMISSION  
OF THE  
NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR  
03 DHC 6

THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR, )  
Plaintiff, )  
v. )  
STEVEN B. DECILLIS, Attorney, )  
Defendant, )

**ORDER OF DISMISSAL  
AND  
LETTER OF CAUTION**

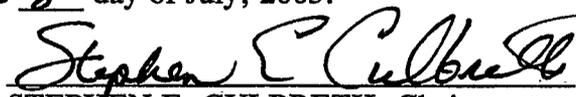
This matter was heard on June 6 and 7, 2003 before a Hearing Committee of the Disciplinary Hearing Commission composed of Stephen E. Culbreth, Chairman, Marguerite P. Watts and F. Lane Williamson. Deputy Counsel Thomas F. Moffitt and Jennifer A. Porter represented the North Carolina State Bar. The Defendant was represented by attorneys Marvin Schiller and David G. Schiller.

Based upon the pleadings, the Stipulation on Pre-hearing Conference, the exhibits admitted into evidence and the testimony of witnesses, the Hearing Committee determined that the State Bar had failed to meet its burden of establishing by clear, cogent and convincing evidence any violation of the *Revised Rules of Professional Conduct of The North Carolina State Bar*.

Therefore, it is hereby ordered that the Complaint against the Defendant be and the same is hereby dismissed with prejudice.

However, the Panel unanimously concluded that the evidence introduced during the hearing warrants that the dismissal be made in conjunction with a Letter of Caution. The evidence showed a pattern of action by the Defendant towards females that he came in contact with to be of a sexually aggressive nature. Although this conduct did not create a basis for discipline, it was determined to be unprofessional and not in accord with accepted professional practice. Similar conduct in an attorney-client relationship would be the basis for discipline and could result in suspension and/or disbarment.

Signed by the undersigned Chairman with the full knowledge and consent of the other Hearing Committee Members, this the 8 day of July, 2003.



STEPHEN E. CULBRETH, Chairman  
Hearing Committee