

Plaintiff, complaining of Defendant, alleges and says:

- 1. Plaintiff, the North Carolina State Bar, is a body duly organized under the laws of North Carolina and is the proper party to bring this proceeding under the authority granted it in Chapter 84 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, and the Rules and Regulations of the North Carolina State Bar promulgated thereunder.
- 2. Defendant, Warren Ballentine (hereinafter "Defendant" or "Ballentine"), was admitted to the North Carolina State Bar on March 2, 2007, and was at all times referred to herein an attorney at law licensed to practice in North Carolina, subject to the laws of the State of North Carolina, the Rules and Regulations of the North Carolina State Bar, and the Rules of Professional Conduct. On September 16, 2015, an Order of Interim Suspension was entered against Defendant in *The North Carolina State Bar v. Warren Ballentine*, 15DHC39.
- 3. On or about October 24, 2014, Ballentine was convicted in *United States* v. Warren Ballentine 13CR0088 (ND III) of one (1) count of mail fraud affecting a financial institution in violation of 18 U.S.C. §1341, one (1) count of wire fraud affecting a financial institution in violation of 18 U.S.C. §1343, two (2) counts of bank fraud in violation of 18 U.S.C. §1344 and two (2) counts of making false statements to financial institutions in violation of 18 U.S.C. §1014.
- 4. On July 21, 2015, Ballentine was sentenced and committed to the custody of the United States Bureau of Prisons for one (1) day and was ordered to serve three (3) years of supervised release with conditions. A certified copy of the judgment is attached as Exhibit 1.
- 5. The crimes for which Ballentine was convicted are criminal offenses showing professional unfitness as defined in 27 N.C. Admin. Code 1B § .0103(17).

THEREFORE, Plaintiff alleges that Defendant's foregoing actions constitute grounds for discipline as follows:

- 1. Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 84-28(b)(1), for conviction of a criminal offense showing professional unfitness;
- 2. Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 84-28(b)(2), for violation of the following Rules of Professional Conduct in effect at the time of the conduct, to wit: by engaging in the criminal conduct for which he was convicted, Ballentine committed criminal acts that reflect adversely upon his honesty, trustworthiness or fitness as a lawyer in violation of Rule 8.4(b), and engaged in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation in violation of Rule 8.4(c)

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, the North Carolina State Bar, prays that:

- 1. Disciplinary action be taken against Defendant, Warren Ballentine, in accordance with N.C. Gen. Stat. § 84-28(b) and State Bar Discipline & Disability Rule, 27 N.C. Admin. Code 1B §§ .0114 and .0115, as the evidence on hearing may warrant;
- 2. Defendant be taxed with the administrative fees and costs permitted by law in connection with this proceeding; and
- 3. For such other and further relief as is appropriate.

This is the **B**day of January 2016.

G. Patrick Murphy

Deputy Counsel

North Carolina State Bar

Bar No. 10443

P.O. Box 25908

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Signed pursuant to 27 N.C. Admin. Code 1B

§ .0113(n) and § .0105(a)(10).

Michael L. Robinson, Chair

Grievance Committee

United States District Court

Northern District of Illinois
Eastern Division

I, Thomas G. Bruton, Clerk of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, do hereby attest and certify that the annexed documents(s) is (are) a full, true, and correct copy of the original(s) on file in my office and in my legal custody.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF:

I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of the foresaid court at Chicago, Illinois, on ____AUG__20_2015

THOMAS G. BRUTON, CLERK

Deputy Clerk



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

Northern District of Illinois

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		JUDGMENT IN A CRIMINAL CASE		
	v.)		
WARR	EN BALLENTINE	Case Number:	13 CR 88	
) USM Number:	45554-424	•.
) Lewis Myers Jr.	•	
· ·		Charles J. Ogletree Defendant's Attorney	e Jr.	
THE DEFENDANT pleaded guilty to coun pleaded nolo contende was found guilty on co	t(s)			
	ted guilty of these offenses:		C 20 E 1 1	Ž-uid
Title & Section	Nature of Offense		Offense Ended	Count
18 U.S.C. § 1341	Mail Fraud Affecting a Financial l	Institution	6/16/2005	1
18 U.S.C. § 1343	Wire Fraud Affecting a Financial	Institution	6/16/2005	2
18 U.S.C. § 1344	Bank Fraud		6/16/2005	3
18 U.S.C. § 1344	Bank Fraud		6/16/2005	4
18 U.S.C. § 1014	Making False Statements to Finan	cial Institutions	6/16/2005	5
18 U.S.C. § 1014	Making False Statements to Finan	cial Institutions	6/16/2005	6
Act of 1984.	d as provided in pages 2 through 8 of this	judgment. The sentence is i	mposed pursuant to the	Sentencing Reform
The defendant has bee	n found not guilty on count(s)			i '
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mailing address until all f	ndant must notify the United States attorney ines, restitution, costs, and special assessme must notify the court and United States atto	ents imposed by this judgmen	nt are fully paid. If ord	lered to pay .
		. 7/9/2015	•	•

Date of Imposition of Judgment

Signature of Judge

Matthew F. Kennelly Name and Title of Judge

U.S. District Judge

7-21-11

Date

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Sheet 2 - Imprisonment

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DEFENDANT: WARREN BALLENTINE

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IMPRISONMENT

ne defendant is hereby committed to the custody	y of the United States Bureau of Prisons to be in	mprisoned for a total term of:	
One (1) day, time considered served on co	ounts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, to run concurrent.		
The court makes the following recomme	endations to the Bureau of Prisons:		
The defendant is remanded to the custod		·	
The defendant shall surrender to the Uni	*		
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	ervice of sentence at the institution designated by	by the Bureau of Prisons:	
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Sheet 3 - Supervised Release

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DEFENDANT: WARREN BALLENTINE

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MANDATORY CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISED RELEASE PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C § 3583(d)

Upon release from imprisonment, the defendant shall be on supervised release for a term of:

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probation office in the district to which the defendant is released within 72 hours of release from

the c	ustody	of the Bureau of Prisons. The court imposes those conditions identified by checkmarks below:
The	defend:	ant shall, during the period of supervised release:
	(1) no	t commit another Federal, State, or local crime.
\boxtimes	(2) no	t unlawfully possess a controlled substance.
	ar	tend a public, private, or private nonprofit offender rehabilitation program that has been approved by the court, if an proved program is readily available within a 50-mile radius of the legal residence of the defendant. [Use for a first
	(4) =0	nviction of a domestic violence crime, as defined in § 3561(b).] gister and comply with all requirements of the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (42 U.S.C. § 16913).
	(4) 10 (5) cc	operate in the collection of a DNA sample if the collection of such a sample is required by law.
Ħ	(6) re	frain from any unlawful use of a controlled substance AND submit to one drug test within 15 days of release on
	SII	pervised release and at least two periodic tests thereafter, up to 104 periodic tests for use of a controlled substance during
	ea	ch year of supervised release. [This mandatory condition may be ameliorated or suspended by the court for any defendant
	if	reliable sentencing information indicates a low risk of future substance abuse by the defendant.]
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. D]	ISCRI	ETIONARY CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISED RELEASE PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C § 3563(b) AN
		18 U.S.C § 3583(d)
beca only such	use such such de conditi	ry Conditions — The court orders that the defendant abide by the following conditions during the term of supervised releases a conditions are reasonably related to the factors set forth in § 3553(a)(1) and (a)(2)(B), (C), and (D); such conditions involve privations of liberty or property as are reasonably necessary for the purposes indicated in § 3553 (a)(2) (B), (C), and (D); and one are consistent with any pertinent policy statement issued by the Sentencing Commission pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 994a. In poses those conditions identified by checkmarks below:
The	defend	ant shall, during the period of supervised release:
	(1)	provide financial support to dependents if financially able.
	(2)	make restitution to a victim of the offense under § 3556 (but not subject to the limitation of § 3663(a) or
П	(3)	§ 3663A(c)(1)(A)). give to the victims of the offense notice pursuant to the provisions of § 3555, as follows:
⊢	(4)	seek, and work conscientiously, at lawful employment or pursue conscientiously a course of study or vocational training
-	(.)	that will equip the defendant for employment.
	(5)	refrain from engaging in a specified occupation, business, or profession bearing a reasonably direct relationship to the conduct constituting the offense, or engage in such a specified occupation, business, or profession only to a stated degree or under stated circumstances; (if checked yes, please indicate restriction(s)
П	(6)	refrain from knowingly meeting or communicating with any person whom the defendant knows to be engaged, or
	(-)	planning to be engaged, in criminal activity and from:
٠		visiting the following type of places:
	-	knowingly meeting or communicating with the following persons:
	(7)	refrain from excessive use of alcohol (defined as having a blood alcohol concentration greater than 0.08%), or any use of
		a narcotic drug or other controlled substance, as defined in § 102 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. § 802),
121	(0)	without a prescription by a licensed medical practitioner. refrain from possessing a firearm, destructive device, or other dangerous weapon.
×	(8) (9)	participate, at the direction of a probation officer, in a substance abuse treatment program, which may include urine
ш	(2)	testing up to a maximum of 104 tests per year.
٠.		participate; at the direction of a probation officer, in a mental health treatment program, which may include the use
		of prescription medications.
		participate, at the direction of a probation officer, in medical care; (if checked yes, please specify:
	(10)	(intermittent confinement): remain in the custody of the Bureau of Prisons during nights, weekends, or other intervals of time, totaling [no more than the lesser of one year or the term of imprisonment authorized for the offense], during

the first year of the term of supervised release (provided, however, that a condition set forth in § 3563(b)(10) shall be

ILND 245B (Rev. 05 1920年 4 of 8 PageID #:819 Judgment - Page 4 of 8 Sheet 3 - Supervised Release DEFENDANT: WARREN BALLENTINE CASE NUMBER: 13 CR 88 imposed only for a violation of a condition of supervised release in accordance with § 3583(e)(2) and only when facilities are available) for the following period (community confinement): reside at, or participate in the program of a community corrections facility (including a \cdot (11) facility maintained or under contract to the Bureau of Prisons) for all or part of the term of supervised release, for a period of months. work in community service for hours as directed by a probation officer. (12)reside in the following place or area: or refrain from residing in a specified place or area: (13)remain within the jurisdiction where the defendant is being supervised, unless granted permission to leave by the court or (14)a probation officer. report to a probation officer as directed by the court or a probation officer. (15)permit a probation officer to visit the defendant at any reasonable time (16)at school at a community service location □ at work at home other reasonable location specified by a probation officer permit confiscation of any contraband observed in plain view of the probation officer. notify a probation officer promptly, within 72 hours, of any change in residence, employer, or workplace and, absent (17)constitutional or other legal privilege, answer inquiries by a probation officer. notify a probation officer promptly, within 72 hours, if arrested or questioned by a law enforcement officer. (18)(home confinement): remain at defendant's place of residence for a total of months during nonworking hours. (19)[This condition may be imposed only as an alternative to incarceration.] Compliance with this condition shall be monitored by telephonic or electronic signaling devices (the selection of which shall be determined by a probation officer). Electronic monitoring shall ordinarily be used in connection with home detention as it provides continuous monitoring of the defendant's whereabouts. Voice identification may be used in lieu of electronic monitoring to monitor home confinement and provides for random monitoring of the defendant's whereabouts. If the defendant is unable to wear an electronic monitoring device due to health or medical reasons, it is recommended that home confinement with voice identification be ordered, which will provide for random checks on the defendant's whereabouts. Home detention with electronic monitoring or voice identification is not deemed appropriate and cannot be effectively administered in cases in which the offender has no bona fide residence, has a history of violent behavior, serious mental health problems, or substance abuse; has pending criminal charges elsewhere; requires frequent travel inside or outside the district; or is required to work more than 60 hours per week. The defendant shall pay the cost of electronic monitoring or voice identification at the daily contractual rate, if the defendant is financially able to do so. The Court waives the electronic/location monitoring component of this condition. comply with the terms of any court order or order of an administrative process pursuant to the law of a State, the District (20)of Columbia, or any other possession or territory of the United States, requiring payments by the defendant for the support and maintenance of a child or of a child and the parent with whom the child is living. be surrendered to a duly authorized official of the Homeland Security Department for a determination on the issue of deportability by the appropriate authority in accordance with the laws under the Immigration and Nationality Act and the established implementing regulations. If ordered deported, the defendant shall not reenter the United States without obtaining, in advance, the express written consent of the Attorney General or the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security. satisfy such other special conditions as ordered below. (22)(if required to register under the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act) submit at any time, with or without a (23)warrant, to a search of the defendant's person and any property, house, residence, vehicle, papers, computer, other electronic communication or data storage devices or media, and effects, by any law enforcement or probation officer having reasonable suspicion concerning a violation of a condition of supervised release or unlawful conduct by the defendant, and by any probation officer in the lawful discharge of the officer's supervision functions (see special conditions section). (24)Other: SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISED RELEASE PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. 3563(b)(22) and 3583(d) The court imposes those conditions identified by checkmarks below: The defendant shall, during the term of supervised release: if the defendant has not obtained a high school diploma or equivalent, participate in a General Educational Development (1) (GED) preparation course and seek to obtain a GED within the first year of supervision. participate in an approved job skill-training program at the direction of a probation officer within the first 60 days of (2) placement on supervision. if unemployed after the first 60 days of supervision, or if unemployed for 60 days after termination or lay-off from (3)

Sheet 3 - Supervised Release DEFENDANT: WARREN BALLENTINE CASE NUMBER: 13 CR 88 employment, perform at least 20 hours of community service per week at the direction of the U.S. Probation Office until gainfully employed. The amount of community service shall not exceed hours. not maintain employment where he/she has access to other individual's personal information, including, but not limited to, Social Security numbers and credit card numbers (or money) unless approved by a probation officer. not incur new credit charges or open additional lines of credit without the approval of a probation officer unless the defendant is in compliance with the financial obligations imposed by this judgment. provide a probation officer with access to any requested financial information necessary to monitor compliance with $\cdot (6)$ conditions of supervised release. notify the court of any material change in the defendant's economic circumstances that might affect the defendant's ability to pay restitution, fines, or special assessments. provide documentation to the IRS and pay taxes as required by law. participate in a sex offender treatment program. The specific program and provider will be determined by a probation officer. The defendant shall comply with all recommended treatment which may include psychological and physiological testing. The defendant shall maintain use of all prescribed medications. The defendant shall comply with the requirements of the Computer and Internet Monitoring Program as administered by the United States Probation Office. The defendant shall consent to the installation of computer monitoring software on all identified computers to which the defendant has access. The software may restrict and/or record any and all activity on the computer, including the capture of keystrokes, application information, Internet use history, email correspondence, and chat conversations. A notice will be placed on the computer at the time of installation to warn others of the existence of the monitoring software. The defendant shall not remove, tamper with, reverse engineer, or in any way circumvent the software. The cost of the monitoring shall be paid by the defendant at the monthly contractual rate, if the defendant is financially able, subject to satisfaction of other financial obligations imposed by this judgment. The defendant shall not possess or use any device with access to any online computer service at any location (including place of employment) without the prior approval of a probation officer. This includes any Internet service provider, bulletin board system, or any other public or private network or email system. The defendant shall not possess any device that could be used for covert photography without the prior approval of a probation officer. The defendant shall not view or possess child pornography. If the treatment provider determines that exposure to other sexually stimulating material may be detrimental to the treatment process, or that additional conditions are likely to assist the treatment process, such proposed conditions shall be promptly presented to the court, for a determination, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3583(e)(2), regarding whether to enlarge or otherwise modify the conditions of supervision to include conditions consistent with the recommendations of the treatment provider. The defendant shall not, without the approval of a probation officer and treatment provider, engage in activities that will put him or her in unsupervised private contact with any person under the age of 18, or visit locations where children regularly congregate (e.g., locations specified in the Sex Offender Registration and Notification This condition does not apply to the defendant's family members: [Names] The defendant's employment shall be restricted to the district and division where he resides or is supervised, unless approval is granted by a probation officer. Prior to accepting any form of employment, the defendant shall seek the approval of a probation officer, in order to allow the probation officer the opportunity to assess the level of risk to the community the defendant will pose if employed in a particular capacity. The defendant shall not participate in any volunteer activity that may cause the defendant to come into direct contact with children except under circumstances approved in advance by a probation officer and treatment provider. The defendant shall provide the probation officer with copies of the defendant's telephone bills, all credit card statements/receipts, and any other financial information requested. The defendant shall comply with all state and local laws pertaining to convicted sex offenders, including such laws that impose restrictions beyond those set forth in this order. pay any financial penalty that is imposed by this judgment that remains unpaid at the commencement of the term of supervised release. The defendant's monthly payment schedule shall be an amount that is at least \$ or 5% of his net monthly income, defined as income net of reasonable expenses for basic necessities such as food, shelter, utilities, insurance, and employment-related expenses. not enter into any agreement to act as an informer or special agent of a law enforcement agency without the permission (11)of the court. which the defendant received during the commission of repay the United States "buy money" in the amount of \$ this offense. Other: (13)

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Sheet 5 - Criminal Monetary Penalties

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CRIMINAL MONETARY PENALTIES

The defendant must pay the total criminal monetary penalties under the schedule of payments on Sheet 6.

l'otals	<u>Assessment</u> \$600.00		Fine \$0.00	Restit \$ 140,	<u>ution</u> 940.00
The determ	nination of restitution is deferre nination.	ed until . An 2	Amended Judgment in a Criminal C	<i>lase (AO 245C)</i> w	ill be entered after
The defend	lant must make restitution (inc	luding community r	estitution) to the following payees i	n the amount l	sted below.
If the defendant	t makes a nartial navment, eacl	navee shall receive	an approximately proportioned par, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3664(i),	yment, unless	specified otherwise in
Name of Payer	3	Total Loss*	Restitution Ordered		Priority or Percentage
Loan Servicing c/o U.S. Bancon	-		\$ 49,940.00	- 11. 1	·
Processing	partment/Subpoena all/BCMNH21P IN 55402				
Asset Backed R	nk as Trustee for Securitized Receivables LLC 2005-FR5 Through Certificates Series		\$ 37,000.00		·
Wells Fargo Ba 1700 Lincoln S MAC C7300-0		,		·	
Denver, CO 80 Signature Grou f/k/a Freemont Attn: Legal De	p Holdings, Investment Loan				
15303 Ventura Sherman Oaks,	Blvd., Suite 1600 CA 91403		\$ 54,000.00		
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	Totals:		\$ 140,940.00		

∐ Re	stitution amount or	dered pursuant to	plea agreement \$
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the fi		on and a fine of more than \$2,500, unless the restitution or finent, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3612(f). All of the payment optically, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3612(g).	
The c	ourt determined that the defendant doe	s not have the ability to pay interest and it is ordered that:	
\boxtimes	the interest requirement is waived for	or the restitution.	
	the interest requirement for the	is modified as follows:	

^{*} Findings for the total amount of losses are required under Chapters 109A, 110, 110A, and 113A of Title 18 for offenses committed on or after September 13, 1994, but before April 23, 1996.

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SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

Havin	aving assessed the defendant's ability to pay, payment of the total criminal m	onetary penalties is due as follows	3:
A	Lump sum payment of \$ 140,940.00 due immediately.		
	 □ balance due not later than , or □ balance due in accordance with □ C, □ D, □ I 	E, or F below; or	
В	Payment to begin immediately (may be combined with C,	D, or F below); or	r e
C	Payment in equal (e.g. weekly, monthly, quarterly) installm commence (e.g., 30 or 60 days) after the date of this judgment		(e.g.; months or years), t
D .	Payment in equal (e.g. weekly, monthly, quarterly) installm commence (e.g., 30 or 60 days) after release from imprisonm		(e.g., months or years), t
E	Payment during the term of supervised release will commence with The court will set the payment plan based on an assessment of the		release from imprisonment time; or
F	☐ Special instructions regarding the payment of criminal monetary r	penalties:	
during Respo	nless the court has expressly ordered otherwise, if this judgment imposes imporing imprisonment. All criminal monetary penalties, except those payments as possibility Program, are made to the clerk of the court. The defendant shall receive credit for all payments previously made toward any	made through the Federal Bureau	of Prisons' Inmate Financia
	☐ Joint and Several		
Defen	nse Number Total Amount Joint a rfendant and Co-Defendant Names Amoun reluding defendant number)	nd Several Correspondin t Appropriate	g Payce, if
	The defendant shall pay the cost of prosecution.		
	The defendant shall pay the following court cost(s):		
	The defendant shall forfeit the defendant's interest in the following prope	erty to the United States:	
Payme (5) fine	yments shall be applied in the following order: (1) assessment, (2) restitution fine interest, (6) community restitution, (7) penalties, and (8) costs, including	principal, (3) restitution interest, (g cost of prosecution and court cos	4) fine principal,