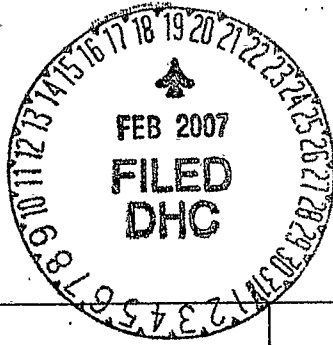


NORTH CAROLINA
WAKE COUNTY



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BEFORE THE SECRETARY
OF THE
NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR
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IN RE REINSTATEMENT OF
JOHN G. FREEMAN

ORDER OF REINSTATEMENT

THIS MATTER is before the Secretary of the North Carolina State Bar pursuant to a Petition for Reinstatement filed by John G. Freeman (hereafter, "Freeman") on January 19, 2007. Based upon a review of the records of the North Carolina State Bar, the Secretary makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On November 4, 2005, a Hearing Committee of the Disciplinary Hearing Commission (hereinafter, "DHC") issued its Consent Order in this disciplinary case, file number 05 DHC 10. The DHC found that Freeman, who suffers from bipolar disorder, began taking his medication irregularly and abusing alcohol and cannabis, which contributed to an incident for which Freeman pled guilty to two misdemeanors.
2. The Consent Order suspended Freeman's license to practice law for a period of three years. The Consent Order provided that Freeman could apply for a stay of any remaining period of suspension after serving one year of the active suspension and upon compliance with conditions stated in the Order.
3. The Consent Order was served on Freeman on November 10, 2005. The effective date of the Order was December 10, 2005. Freeman completed the one year of active suspension on December 10, 2006.
4. Freeman submitted a petition on January 19, 2007 requesting reinstatement subject to the conditions and requirements of the Consent Order.
5. The Consent Order requires that Freeman be in compliance with the conditions set out in the Order to qualify for a stay of the remaining period of suspension.
6. In his petition, Freeman described the actions he has taken to comply with the conditions in the Consent Order for a stay of the remaining period of his suspension and he has provided supporting documentation.
7. After conducting an investigation of the requirements set out in Rule .0125(b) of the North Carolina State Bar Discipline and Disability Rules, 27 N.C. Admin. Code Chapter 1, Subchapter B, Section .0125(b), and set out in the Consent Order, counsel for the North Carolina State Bar did not file a response objecting to the petition for reinstatement subject to the conditions and requirements of the Consent Order.

BASED UPON the foregoing Findings of Fact, the Secretary makes the following:

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

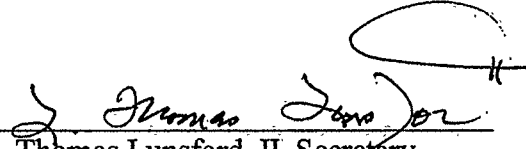
1. The petitioner, John G. Freeman, has satisfied the requirements set out in Rule .0125(b) of the North Carolina State Bar Discipline and Disability Rules and the conditions in the Consent Order for reinstatement to active status subject to the terms of the Consent Order.

2. Freeman's reinstatement to active status is conditioned upon compliance with the conditions and requirements in the Consent Order in 05 DHC 10 and is subject to the terms of that Order.

THEREFORE, pursuant to Rule .0125, it is hereby ordered:

1. Freeman is reinstated to the active practice of law, subject to the terms, conditions, and requirements of the Consent Order in 05 DHC 10. Freeman's status as an active member of the North Carolina State Bar between the effective date of this order and December 10, 2008 is contingent upon his compliance with all of the conditions set forth in the Consent Order.

This the 19th day of February, 2007.


L. Thomas Lunsford, II, Secretary
The North Carolina State Bar