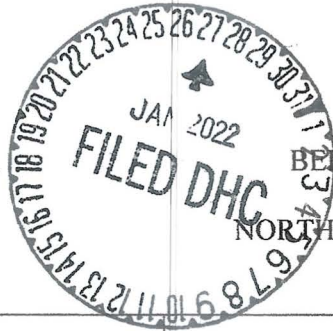


STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

WAKE COUNTY



BEFORE THE COUNCIL
OF THE
NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR
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IN THE MATTER OF THE TENDER
OF SURRENDER OF LICENSE OF

Joshua Michael Reed

ORDER OF DISBARMENT

THIS MATTER coming on to be heard and being heard by the Council of the North Carolina State Bar pursuant to 27 N.C. Admin. Code, Chapter 1, Subchapter B, Section .0121(a) of the State Bar Discipline & Disability Rules upon tender of an affidavit of surrender of license executed by Joshua Michael Reed ("Reed") on 21 January 2021 and filed in the offices of the North Carolina State Bar on 13 January 2022.


Based upon the affidavit, the Council finds that Reed pleaded guilty to and was convicted of the federal felony offense of attempted coercion or enticement of a minor in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2422(b), Count One of the Bill of Indictment filed against him in the United States District Court, Western District of North Carolina, Charlotte Division, Docket No. 3:21-CR-125. The Factual Basis relied upon by the Court when accepting his guilty plea is attached as Exhibit A. Reed's conduct is grounds for discipline pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 84-28(b)(1) and (2).

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

1. The tender of surrender of license of Joshua Michael Reed is hereby accepted.
2. Joshua Michael Reed is hereby DISBARRED from the practice of law in North Carolina.
3. Reed is taxed with the administrative fees, consisting of the \$350.00 Grievance Committee fee and the \$750.00 DHC fee. The State Bar and Reed will bear their own costs.
4. Reed shall comply with the provisions of 27 N.C. Admin. Code, Chapter 1, Subchapter B, Section .0128 of the State Bar Discipline & Disability Rules. Reed shall surrender his license and permanent membership card to the Secretary of the North Carolina State Bar along with the affidavit required by § .0128 of the State Bar Discipline & Disability Rules within ten (10) days of the entry of this order.
5. The Disciplinary Hearing Commission entered an order on 9 November 2021 that suspended Reed's law license until the conclusion of all disciplinary proceedings. For purposes of the five-year time period which must pass before Reed may apply

for reinstatement pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 84-28(c) and 27 N.C. Admin. Code 1B.0129(a)(2), the effective date of this order of disbarment is made retroactive to 9 November 2021. For any other purpose, the effective date of the disbarment is the date the Council accepted the surrender pursuant to 27 N.C. Admin. Code 1B.0121(b), to wit: 21 January 2021.

Done and ordered this 21st day of January, 2021.



Darrin D. Jordan, President
North Carolina State Bar

EXHIBIT A

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Charlotte, NC

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
CHARLOTTE DIVISION

Clerk, US District Court
Western District NC

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)

v.)

JOSHUA MICHAEL REED)

DOCKET NO. 3:21cr125

FACTUAL BASIS

NOW COMES the United States of America, by and through WILLIAM T. STETZER, Acting United States Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina, and hereby files this Factual Basis in support of the plea agreement filed simultaneously in this matter.

This Factual Basis is filed pursuant to Local Criminal Rule 11.2 and does not attempt to set forth all of the facts known to the United States at this time. By their signatures below, the parties expressly agree that there is a factual basis for the guilty plea(s) that the defendant will tender pursuant to the plea agreement, and that the facts set forth in this Factual Basis are sufficient to establish all of the elements of the crime(s). The parties agree not to object to or otherwise contradict the facts set forth in this Factual Basis.

Upon acceptance of the plea, the United States will submit to the Probation Office a "Statement of Relevant Conduct" pursuant to Local Criminal Rule 32.4. The defendant may submit (but is not required to submit) a response to the Government's "Statement of Relevant Conduct" within seven days of its submission. The parties understand and agree that this Factual Basis does not necessarily represent all conduct relevant to sentencing. The parties agree that they have the right to object to facts set forth in the presentence report that are not contained in this Factual Basis. Either party may present to the Court additional relevant facts that do not contradict facts set forth in this Factual Basis.

1. On or about and between February 10, 2020 and February 18, 2020, in Mecklenburg County and within the Western District of North Carolina, the defendant, JOSHUA MICHAEL REED, knowingly used a means or facility of interstate commerce to attempt to persuade, induce, entice or coerce an individual who he believed to be under the age of eighteen (18) to engage in sexual activity;


2. The Defendant, had he completed such an act with a minor under the age of 15, could have been charged with a criminal offense for engaging in the specified sexual activity; to wit; a violation of North Carolina General Statute 14-27.30(a)- statutory sexual offense with a person who is 15 years of age or younger.

WILLIAM T. STETZER
Acting United States Attorney


ALFREDO DE LA ROSA
Assistant United States Attorney

Defendant's Counsel's Signature and Acknowledgment

I have read this Factual Basis, the Bill of Information, and the plea agreement in this case, and have discussed them with the defendant. Based on those discussions, I am satisfied that the defendant understands the Factual Basis, the Bill of Information and the plea agreement. I hereby certify that the defendant does not dispute this Factual Basis.


CHRISTIAN DYSART
Attorney for Defendant

DATED: 5/10/21



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AFFIDAVIT TENDERING THE SURRENDER OF THE LICENSE OF
JOSHUA MICHAEL REED

I, JOSHUA MICHAEL REED, being first duly sworn, say:

1. I desire to resign and hereby tender my license to practice law in North Carolina pursuant to the provisions of Section .0121 of the North Carolina State Bar Discipline and Disability Rules, 27 N.C. Admin. Code Chapter 1, Subchapter B, Section .0121.
2. My resignation is freely and voluntarily rendered. It is not the result of coercion or duress. I am fully aware of the implication of submitting my resignation.
3. I am aware that there is presently pending an investigation based upon my plea of guilty to the federal felony offense of attempted coercion or enticement of a minor in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2422(b), Count One of the Bill of Information filed against me in the United States District Court, Western District of North Carolina, Charlotte Division, Docket No. 3:21-CR-125. The Factual Basis relied upon by the Court when accepting my guilty plea is attached as Exhibit A.
4. I acknowledge that the material facts upon which the grievance is predicated are true.
5. My resignation is being submitted because I know that if charges were predicated upon the misconduct under investigation, I could not successfully defend against them.
6. I understand that the hearing by the Council of the North Carolina State Bar with regard to the acceptance of the tender of surrender of my license to practice law will occur at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Council of the North Carolina State Bar on Friday, January 21, 2022 at the State Bar building located at 217 East Edenton Street, Raleigh, North Carolina.
7. I hereby waive any further notice of the hearing before the Council on my affidavit of surrender. I waive any claim, argument, or assertion that I have not received proper or timely notice of the hearing before the Council on my affidavit of surrender or any other defect in notice. I further waive any and all right or privilege to appear before the Council at that hearing.

8. I affirm that I have had a full opportunity to seek the advice and counsel of an attorney in filing my Affidavit of Surrender and in waiving any rights set forth herein.

Respectfully submitted, this the 5th day of November, 2021.



A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Joshua Michael Reed".

Joshua Michael Reed

I, Christian E. Dysart, Notary Public of the County of Wake, State of North Carolina, certify that Joshua Michael Reed personally appeared before me this day, was sworn, attested that the foregoing Affidavit is true and accurate of his own personal knowledge, and executed the foregoing Affidavit.

This the 5 day of November, 2021

Notary Public
(print name) Christian E. Dysart

My commission expires: 10/22/2023