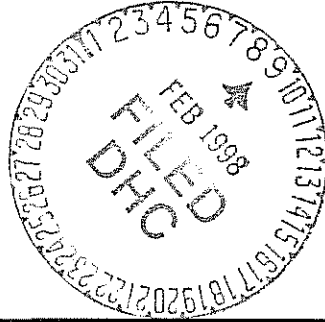


NORTH CAROLINA

WAKE COUNTY



BEFORE THE
DISCIPLINARY HEARING COMMISSION
OF THE
NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR
97 DHC 26

THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR,
Plaintiff

v.

CHLOE J. WELLONS, Attorney,
Defendant

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ORDER OF DISBARMENT

THIS MATTER coming before the undersigned Chair of the Disciplinary Hearing Commission pursuant to 27 N.C. Admin. Code, Chapter 1, Subchapter B, §.0117(d) of the N.C. State Bar Discipline & Disability Rules upon the defendant's Affidavit of Consent to Order of Disbarment executed and filed on the 28th day of January, 1998; and the undersigned finds from that Consent to Disbarment the following:

1. The defendant's Affidavit of Consent to Order of Disbarment was freely and voluntarily rendered, was not the result of coercion or duress and the defendant was fully aware of the implications of submitting the Affidavit of Consent to Order of Disbarment.
2. The defendant is aware that a hearing has been scheduled respecting the allegations contained in the State Bar's complaint in this matter and that by submitting the Affidavit of Consent to Order of Disbarment she is giving up the right to defend herself against those allegations at that hearing.
3. The defendant has admitted that the material facts contained in the State Bar's complaint are true, except that she has denied that she assumed control of the firm's finances to facilitate any misuse of the firm's funds.
4. The defendant has admitted that she is guilty of the misconduct alleged in the State Bar's complaint which is incorporated herein by reference.
5. The defendant's Consent to Disbarment was submitted because the defendant knows that she could not successfully defend against the allegations in the State Bar's complaint in this matter.

BASED UPON the foregoing findings, the undersigned concludes as follows:

(a) The affidavit of the defendant contained in her Affidavit of Consent to Order of Disbarment meets the requirements of 27 N.C. Admin. Code, Chapter 1, Subchapter B, §.0117(d) of the N.C. State Bar Discipline & Disability Rules.

(b) The Affidavit of Consent to Order of Disbarment filed by the defendant herein should be accepted.

(c) The facts as found constitute grounds for disbarment.

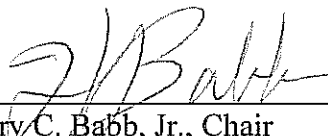
THEREFORE it is hereby ORDERED:

1. The defendant, Chloe J. Wellons, is hereby DISBARRED from the practice of law in North Carolina.

2. The defendant shall be given credit for the time she avers she voluntarily ceased the practice of law in her Affidavit of Consent to Order of Disbarment. Thus, the effective date of her disbarment is September 27, 1996.

3. The defendant shall pay the costs of this proceeding as assessed by the Secretary by March 1, 1998.

This the 5 day of February 1998.



Henry C. Babb, Jr., Chair
Disciplinary Hearing Commission

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Defendant.)

AFFIDAVIT OF CONSENT TO
ORDER OF DISBARMENT

NOW COMES the defendant herein, Chloe J. Wellons, pursuant to 27 N.C. Admin. Code Chapter 1, Subchapter B, Section .0117(d) of the North Carolina State Bar Discipline and Disability Rules, and by this affidavit consents to the entry of an order by the Chair of the Disciplinary Hearing Commission disbarring the defendant. In support of such order of disbarment, the defendant avers as follows:

1. This Affidavit of Consent to Order of Disbarment is freely and voluntarily rendered. It is not the result of coercion or duress. I am fully aware of the implications of submitting this Affidavit.
2. I am aware that a hearing has been scheduled concerning the allegations contained in the State Bar's complaint in this matter and that by submitting this Affidavit I am giving up my right to defend myself against those allegations at that hearing.
3. I acknowledge that the material facts in the State Bar's Complaint are true; however, to the extent that paragraphs 8, 9, and 10 of the Complaint imply that I assumed control of the firm's finances in order to facilitate any misuse of funds, I specifically deny that implication because it simply is not true.
4. This Affidavit is being submitted because I know that I cannot successfully defend against the allegations in the State Bar's complaint in this matter.

5. I ceased the practice of law on 27 September, 1996, and thereafter by letter reported my conduct to the State Bar.

This the 28th day of January, 1998.

Chloe J. Wellons
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Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 28th day of January, 1998.

Janiffa H. Earp
NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires: 5-2-01

