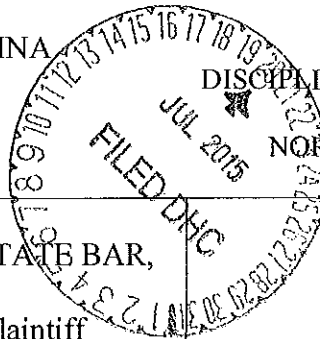


STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

WAKE COUNTY



BEFORE THE
DISCIPLINARY HEARING COMMISSION
OF THE
NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR
11 DHC 13, 15 BSR 4

THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR,

Plaintiff

v.

ORDER OF REINSTATEMENT

BENJAMIN S. SMALL, Attorney,

Defendant

This matter is before the Secretary of the North Carolina State Bar (hereafter "State Bar") pursuant to a Petition for Order of Reinstatement filed by Benjamin S. Small (hereafter "Small") on 13 April 2015. Based upon a review of the records of the State Bar, the Secretary makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On 1 June 2012, a hearing panel of the Disciplinary Hearing Commission entered an Order of Discipline in file number 11 DHC 13 (hereafter "Order of Discipline").
2. The Order of Discipline suspended Small's license to practice law in North Carolina for a period of two years, effective 5 July 2012.
3. The two year suspension of Small's law license ended on 5 July 2014.
4. On 13 April 2015, Small filed a petition in which he stated that he had complied with the requirements for reinstatement.
5. On or about 5 May 2015, Small submitted a verification of his petition for reinstatement.
6. The counsel of the State Bar has not filed an objection to Small's reinstatement petition pursuant to 27 N. C. Admin. Code 1B § .0125.

Based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact, the Secretary makes the following:

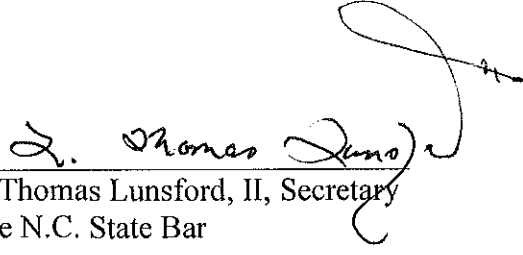
CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Small has satisfied the requirements set out in 27 N. C. Admin. Code 1B § .0125.

THEREFORE, pursuant to 27 N. C. Admin. Code 1B § .0125, it is hereby ordered:

1. Benjamin S. Small is hereby reinstated to the practice of law in North Carolina.
2. Benjamin S. Small's State Bar membership card and law license shall be returned to him.

This the 20TH day of July, 2015.



L. Thomas Lunsford, II, Secretary
The N.C. State Bar