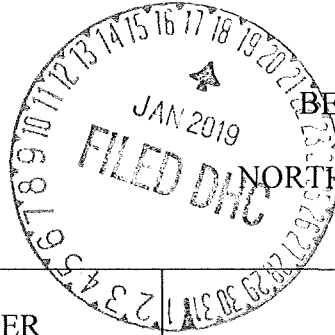


STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

WAKE COUNTY



BEFORE THE COUNCIL
OF THE
NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR
19 BCS 1

IN THE MATTER OF THE TENDER
OF SURRENDER OF LICENSE OF

CHARLES K. BLACKMON

ORDER OF DISBARMENT

THIS MATTER was heard by the Council of the North Carolina State Bar pursuant to 27 N.C.A.C. 1B §.0121 (a) of the State Bar Discipline and Disability Rules upon the affidavit of surrender of license executed by Charles K. Blackmon on January 16, 2019 and filed in the offices of the State Bar on January 16, 2019.

Based on the affidavit, the Council finds that Charles K. Blackmon failed to act with reasonable diligence and promptness in representing a client in violation of Rule 1.3 of the Rules of Professional Conduct, and that Charles K. Blackmon misappropriated and converted to his own use entrusted funds to which his employer was entitled, thereby engaging in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation that reflects adversely on his fitness as a lawyer in violation of Rule 8.4(c) of the Rules of Professional Conduct. This conduct constitutes grounds for discipline pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 84-28 (b)(2).

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

1. The tender of surrender of the license of Charles K. Blackmon is hereby accepted.
2. Charles K. Blackmon is hereby DISBARRED from the practice of law in North Carolina.
3. Charles K. Blackmon shall comply with the provisions of 27 NCAC 1B § .0128 of the State Bar Discipline and Disability Rules and shall surrender his license and permanent membership card to the Secretary of the North Carolina State Bar along with the affidavit required by 27 NCAC 1B § .0128(d) of the State Bar Discipline and Disability Rules.
4. The costs of this action are taxed against Charles K. Blackmon.
5. Within 10 days of the date of this Order, Charles K. Blackmon shall provide the State Bar with an address and telephone number at which clients seeking return of files can communicate with Charles K. Blackmon and obtain such files, and Charles K. Blackmon shall promptly return all files to his clients upon request.

6. If Charles K. Blackmon fails to fully comply with 27 NCAC 1B § .0128, he shall reimburse the State Bar for all expenses incurred by the State Bar in winding down his practice. Such expenses may include, but are not limited to, storage facility fees, rent payments, moving expenses, charges for secure disposal of client files, postage or other mailing expenses, and compensation paid to a court-appointed trustee and/or the trustee's assistant for time and travel associated with the trusteeship. The State Bar shall send an invoice for wind-down expenses to Charles K. Blackmon at his last known address of record with the North Carolina State Bar. Charles K. Blackmon shall not be eligible for reinstatement until he has reimbursed the State Bar for all wind-down expenses incurred.

Done and ordered this the 18th day of January, 2019.



G. Gray Wilson, President
The North Carolina State Bar

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**AFFIDAVIT TENDERING THE SURRENDER OF THE LICENSE OF
CHARLES K. BLACKMON**

I, CHARLES K. BLACKMON, being first duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

1. I desire to resign and hereby tender my license to practice law in North Carolina pursuant to State Bar Discipline & Disability Rule 27 NCAC 1B §.0121.

2. My resignation is freely and voluntarily rendered, and is not the result of coercion or duress. I am fully aware of the implications of submitting my resignation.

3. I am aware that there is a pending investigation by the State Bar regarding allegations that I failed to act with reasonable diligence and promptness in representing a client in a civil matter, and that I misappropriated and converted to my own use entrusted funds to which my law firm was entitled by depositing into my personal bank account at least \$4,250.00 paid by my client for services to be provided by the firm at which I was an agent and a salaried employee.

4. I acknowledge that the material facts upon which the State Bar's investigation is predicated are true.

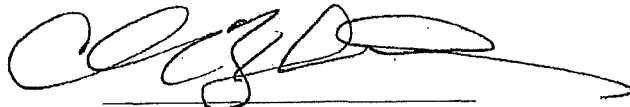
5. I am submitting my resignation because I know that if disciplinary charges were predicated upon the misconduct under investigation, I could not successfully defend against them.

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 18, 2019 at the North Carolina State Bar Building, 217 E. Edenton Street, Raleigh, North Carolina 27601.

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 making the decision to file this affidavit of surrender and I am fully satisfied with the services of my attorney in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted, this the 16 day of January, 2019.



CHARLES K. BLACKMON

I, Karen S. Bottoms, Notary Public of the County of Forsyth, State of North Carolina, certify that Charles K. Blackmon 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 16th day of January, 2019.

Karen S. Bottoms
Notary Public
(print name) Karen S. Bottoms

My commission expires: 12-16-22

