STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

Department of The Secretary of State

IN THE MATTER OF:

ORDER OF PERMANENT REVOCATION OF NOTARY PUBLIC COMMISSION FILE NO. 2009-NP-0306

LESLIE DANIELLE HARRISON

WHEREAS, LESLIE DANIELLE HARRISON of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina was commissioned to act as a notary public on March 1, 2009 and presently continues to hold such commission; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State received a complaint in February of 2009 concerning the performance of certain notarial acts by LESLIE DANIELLE HARRISON; and

WHEREAS, following an investigation of the aforesaid complaint, the Secretary of State has determined that LESLIE DANIELLE HARRISON admitted that she forged the signature of Traci England on a Deed of Trust and then fraudulently notarized the deed which is a violation of North Carolina General Statute Chapter 10B-60 (c)(1) and (d)(1). In addition, LESLIE DANIELLE HARRISON failed to respond to the inquiries of the Department in the time period allotted which is a violation of 18 North Carolina Administrative Code 07B.0107 (d) and 07B.0905; and

WHEREAS, N.C. Gen. Stat. §10B-60 (c)(1) states, "A notary shall be guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor if the notary does any of the following:

(1) Takes an acknowledgment or administers an oath or affirmation without the principal appearing in person before the notary."

WHEREAS, N.C. Gen. Stat. §10B-60 (d)(1) states, "A notary shall be guilty of a Class I felony if the notary does any of the following:

(1) Takes an acknowledgment or a verification or a proof, or administers an oath or affirmation if the notary knows it is false or fraudulent."

WHEREAS, 18 NCAC 07B.0107 (d) states, "A notary shall respond within the time period set out in a request from the Director for information, including a request for information regarding wrongful notarial acts alleged to have been performed by the notary."

WHEREAS, 18 NCAC 07B.0905 states, "The Director may take disciplinary action against a notary for violation of Chapter 07B of the General Statutes or this Subchapter, including failure to provide information required by Rule .0107 of this Subchapter."

WHEREAS, N.C. Gen. Stat.§10B-60(a) provides that the Secretary of State may revoke a notarial commission on any ground for which an application for a commission may be denied under N.C. Gen. Stat.§10B-5(d); and N.C. Gen. Stat.§10B-5(d) (5) provides that the Secretary of State may deny an application for a commission if the applicant has engaged in official misconduct within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat.§10B-3-15(a & b); and

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State has determined that the aforesaid actions of LESLIE DANIELLE HARRISON constitute official misconduct. LESLIE DANIELLE HARRISON admitted that she forged the signature of Traci England on a Deed of Trust and then fraudulently notarized the deed which is a violation of N.C. Gen. Stat.§10B-60 (c)(1) and (d)(1). In addition, LESLIE DANIELLE HARRISON failed to respond to the Department's inquiries in the time period allotted which is a violation of 18 NCAC 07B.0107 (d) and 07B.0905. After consideration of all the evidence available the Department determined that the interest of the public will best be served by the permanent revocation of the Notary Public Commission of LESLIE DANIELLE HARRISON.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the commission of LESLIE DANIELLE HARRISON, of Mecklenburg County, to act as a Notary Public is PERMANENTLY REVOKED IMMEDIATELY, and

WHEREAS, N.C. Gen. Stat.§10B-36(d) requires, "as soon as is reasonably practicable after resignation, revocation, or expiration of a notary commission, or death of the notary, the seal shall be delivered to the Secretary for disposal."

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that LESLIE DANIELLE HARRISON surrender her notarial stamp or seal to the Secretary of State by delivering the said stamp and seal to the Director of the Certification and Filing Division of the Department of the Secretary of State.

WITNESS MY HAND this the 22nd day of September 2010.

ELAINE F. MARSHALL SECRETARY OF STATE

BY:

Ozie Stallworth, Director Notary Enforcement Section Certification and Filing Division