



North Carolina State Board of Certified Public Accountant Examiners

NEWS RELEASE

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STATE BOARD OF CPA EXAMINERS REVOKES THE CPA LICENSE OF ANTHONY M. SHARPER, SR.

Raleigh – On December 13, 2021, the North Carolina State Board of Certified Public Accountant (CPA) Examiners revoked the North Carolina CPA license issued to Anthony M. Sharper, Sr., of Charlotte, NC.

On September 2, 2021, Mr. Sharper entered into a plea agreement in the United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina. Mr. Sharper pleaded guilty to four charges, including wire fraud, making false statements to a financial institution, engaging in monetary transactions in criminally derived property, and filing a false tax return.

Based on the above, the Board determined that Mr. Sharper violated Title 21, Chapter 08 of the North Carolina Administrative Code (NCAC), specifically 08N .0202 (Deceptive Conduct Prohibited) and 08N .0207 (Violation of Tax Laws).

In the Consent Order issued by the Board, Mr. Sharper agreed to the permanent revocation of his North Carolina CPA license. The revocation precludes him from offering or rendering services as a CPA or using the CPA title in any way in North Carolina.

Please contact the Board's Staff Attorney, Frank Trainor, at ftrainor@nccpaboard.gov or (919) 733-4222 with questions about the Board's Consent Order with Mr. Sharper.

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NORTH CAROLINA
WAKE COUNTY

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS
CASE #C2021081

IN THE MATTER OF:
Anthony M. Sharper, Sr., CPA, #37764
Respondent

CONSENT ORDER

THIS CAUSE, coming before the North Carolina State Board of CPA Examiners (“Board”) at its offices at 1101 Oberlin Road, Raleigh, Wake County, North Carolina, with a quorum present. Pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. § 150B-41, the Board and the Respondent stipulate to the following:

1. Anthony M. Sharper, Sr., CPA (hereinafter “Respondent”), is the holder of North Carolina certificate number 37764 as a Certified Public Accountant.
2. On September 2, 2021, the Respondent entered into a plea agreement in the United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina.
3. The Respondent agreed to plead guilty to four charges, including wire fraud, making false statements to a financial institution, engaging in monetary transactions in criminally derived property, and filing a false tax return.
4. The Respondent wishes to resolve this matter by consent and agrees that the Board staff and counsel may discuss this Consent Order with the Board *ex parte*, whether or not the Board accepts this Consent Order as written. The Respondent understands and agrees that this Consent Order is subject to review and approval by the Board and is not effective until approved by the Board at a duly constituted Board Meeting.

BASED upon the foregoing, the Board makes the following Conclusions of Law:

1. The Respondent is subject to the provisions of Chapter 93 of the North Carolina General Statutes and Title 21, Chapter 08 of the North Carolina Administrative Code, including the Rules of Professional Ethics and Conduct promulgated and adopted therein by the Board.
2. By virtue of the facts set forth above, the Respondent violated Rules 21 NCAC 08N .0202 (Deceptive Conduct) and .0207 (Violation of Tax Laws).
3. Per N.C. Gen. Stat. § 93-12(9), and also by virtue of the Respondent’s consent to this order, the Respondent is subject to the discipline set forth below.

BASED on the foregoing and in lieu of further proceedings, the Board and the Respondent agree to the following Order:

1. The CPA certificate for the Respondent, Anthony M. Sharper, Sr., is hereby permanently revoked.

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2. The Respondent must return his certificate to the Board within fifteen (15) days of his receipt of the Board's notification of its approval of this Consent Order.
3. The Respondent shall not offer or render services as a CPA or otherwise trade upon or use the CPA title in this state either through CPA mobility provisions or substantial equivalency practice privileges or in any other manner, nor shall Respondent claim or attempt to use any practice privileges in any other state based upon his permanently revoked North Carolina certificate.

CONSENTED TO THIS THE 15 DAY OF November, 2021.
(Day) (Month) (Year)
Anthony M. Sharper, Sr.
Respondent

APPROVED BY THE BOARD THIS THE 13th DAY OF December, 2021.
(Day) (Month) (Year)

NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED
PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS



BY: *Barton W. Bullis*
President