DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

OF THE

## GENERAL LEGAL COUNCIL

ORDER

## COMPLAINT NO. 161/88

In the matter of Joswyn Leo-Rhynie, Q.C. and Faye Williamson-Benjamin, Attorneyat-Law.

In the matter of the Legal Profession Act.

UPON THE APPLICATION DATED 31st January, 1990 MADE UNDER SECTION 12(1)(a)
OF THE LEGAL PROFESSION ACT coming before the Disciplinary Committee
at a hearing on the 16th day of February, 1991 with Mrs. Angela HudsonPhillips, Q.C. as Chairman together with Lt. Col. H. St. C. Whitehorne
and Mr. Derek Jones AND UPON DUE CONSIDERATION of the evidence and
documents relating to the allegations contained in the Affidavit which
accompanied the said application THE COMMITTEE FOUND that allegations in
paragraph 2 of the complaint have been proven as follows:
Faye Williamson-Benjamin is guilty of misconduct in a professional respect,
in that she has conducted herself in a manner which tends to discredit
the Legal Profession of which she is a member and to bring the same
into disrepute:

- (a) she fraudulently converted to her own use, the sum of \$141,641.00, the property of her client, Sydney Reynolds.
- (b) further or alternatively, on the 17th day of November, 1988 at the Resident Magistrate's Court for the Parish of Kingston holden before His Honour Mr. Courtney Orr, as he then was, Faye Williamson-Benjamin, pleaded guilty and was convicted of the criminal charge of fraudulent conversion preferred against her and was sentenced to three (3) months imprisonment.

ACCORDINGLY, Faye Williamson-Benjamin is guilty of misconduct in a professional respect pursuant to Canons 1(b) and III(k) of the Legal Profession (Canons of Professional Conduct) Rules 1978.

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PURSUANT TO THE FOREGOING FINDINGS the Disciplinary Committee voting unanimously HEREBY ORDERS that the name of Mrs. Faye Williamson-Benjamin, Attorney-at-Law be struck off the Roll.

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FILED with the Registrar of the Supreme Court by Barbara Hall, Secretary of the Disciplinary Committee of the General Legal Council of 11 Duke Street, Kingston, in accordance with the Legal Profession Act.