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Counsel for Respondent JAMES W. DOIRON, SBN 128944 848 W. Bonita Ave., #B Claremont, CA 91711 Telephone: (909) 399-0945 IN PROPRIA PERSONA	Submitted to <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> assigned judge <input type="checkbox"/> settlement judge STIPULATION RE FACTS, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND DISPOSITION AND ORDER APPROVING ACTUAL SUSPENSION <input type="checkbox"/> PREVIOUS STIPULATION REJECTED	
In the Matter of JAMES V. DOIRON Bar # 128944 A Member of the State Bar of California (Respondent)		

A. Parties' Acknowledgments:

- (1) Respondent is a member of the State Bar of California, admitted June 17, 1987
(date)
- (2) The parties agree to be bound by the factual stipulations contained herein even if conclusions of law or disposition are rejected or changed by the Supreme Court.
- (3) All investigations or proceedings listed by case number in the caption of this stipulation, are entirely resolved by this stipulation and are deemed consolidated. Dismissed charge(s)/count(s) are listed under "Dismissals." The stipulation and order consist of 9 pages.
- (4) A statement of acts or omissions acknowledged by Respondent as cause or causes for discipline is included under "Facts."
- (5) Conclusions of law, drawn from and specifically referring to the facts are also included under "Conclusions of Law."
- (6) No more than 30 days prior to the filing of this stipulation, Respondent has been advised in writing of any pending investigation/proceeding not resolved by this stipulation, except for criminal investigations.
- (7) Payment of Disciplinary Costs—Respondent acknowledges the provisions of Bus. & Prof. Code §§6086.10 & 6140.7. (Check one option only):
 - until costs are paid in full, Respondent will remain actually suspended from the practice of law unless relief is obtained per rule 284, Rules of Procedure.
 - costs to be paid in equal amounts prior to February 1 for the following membership years: Costs shall be added to and become a part of the membership fee for years 2005, 2006 and 2007 (hardship, special circumstances or other good cause per rule 284, Rules of Procedure)
 - costs waived in part as set forth under "Partial Waiver of Costs"
 - costs entirely waived

Note: All information required by this form and any additional information which cannot be provided in the space provided, shall be set forth in the text component of this stipulation under specific headings, i.e. "Facts," "Dismissals," "Conclusions of Law."

(Stipulation form approved by SBC Executive Committee 10/16/00)

Actual Suspension

B. Aggravating Circumstances [for definition, see Standards for Attorney Sanctions for Professional Misconduct, standard 1.2(b).] Facts supporting aggravating circumstances are recited.

(1) Prior record of discipline [see standard 1.2(f)]

(a) State Bar Court case # of prior case _____

(b) date prior discipline effective _____

(c) Rules of Professional Conduct/ State Bar Act violations: _____

(d) degree of prior discipline _____

(e) If Respondent has two or more incidents of prior discipline, use space provided below or under "Prior Discipline".

(2) Dishonesty: Respondent's misconduct was surrounded by or followed by bad faith, dishonesty, concealment, overreaching or other violations of the State Bar Act or Rules of Professional Conduct.

(3) Trust Violation: Trust funds or property were involved and Respondent refused or was unable to account to the client or person who was the object of the misconduct for improper conduct toward said funds or property.

(4) Harm: Respondent's misconduct harmed significantly a client, the public or the administration of justice.

(5) Indifference: Respondent demonstrated indifference toward rectification of or atonement for the consequences of his or her misconduct.

(6) Lack of Cooperation: Respondent displayed a lack of candor and cooperation to victims of his/her misconduct or to the State Bar during disciplinary investigation or proceedings.

(7) Multiple/Pattern of Misconduct: Respondent's current misconduct evidences multiple acts of wrongdoing or demonstrates a pattern of misconduct.

(8) No aggravating circumstances are involved.

Additional aggravating circumstances:

C. Mitigating Circumstances [see standard 1.2(e).] Facts supporting mitigating circumstances are required.

- (1) No Prior Discipline: Respondent has no prior record of discipline over many years of practice coupled with present misconduct which is not deemed serious.
- (2) No Harm: Respondent did not harm the client or person who was the object of the misconduct.
- (3) Candor/Cooperation: Respondent displayed spontaneous candor and cooperation to the victims of his/her misconduct and to the State Bar during disciplinary investigation and proceedings.
- (4) Remorse: Respondent promptly took objective steps spontaneously demonstrating remorse and recognition of the wrongdoing, which steps were designed to timely atone for any consequences of his/her misconduct.
- (5) Restitution: Respondent paid \$ _____ on _____ in restitution to _____ without the threat or force of disciplinary, civil or criminal proceedings.
- (6) Delay: These disciplinary proceedings were excessively delayed. The delay is not attributable to Respondent and the delay prejudiced him/her.
- (7) Good Faith: Respondent acted in good faith.
- (8) Emotional/Physical Difficulties: At the time of the stipulated act or acts of professional misconduct Respondent suffered extreme emotional difficulties or physical disabilities which expert testimony would establish was directly responsible for the misconduct. The difficulties or disabilities were not the product of any illegal conduct by the member, such as illegal drug or substance abuse, and Respondent no longer suffers from such difficulties or disabilities.
- (9) Severe Financial Stress: At the time of the misconduct, Respondent suffered from severe financial stress which resulted from circumstances not reasonably foreseeable or which were beyond his/her control and which were directly responsible for the misconduct.
- (10) Family Problems: At the time of the misconduct, Respondent suffered extreme difficulties in his/her personal life which were other than emotional or physical in nature.
- (11) Good Character: Respondent's good character is attested to by a wide range of references in the legal and general communities who are aware of the full extent of his/her misconduct.
- (12) Rehabilitation: Considerable time has passed since the acts of professional misconduct occurred followed by convincing proof of subsequent rehabilitation.
- (13) No mitigating circumstances are involved.

Additional mitigating circumstances:

1. Stayed Suspension.

- A. Respondent shall be suspended from the practice of law for a period of two (2) years
 - i. and until Respondent shows proof satisfactory to the State Bar Court of rehabilitation and present fitness to practice and present learning and ability in the law pursuant to standard 1.4(c)(ii), Standards for Attorney Sanctions for Professional Misconduct
 - ii. and until Respondent pays restitution to _____ [payee(s)] (or the Client Security Fund, if appropriate), in the amount of _____, plus 10% per annum accruing from _____ and provides proof thereof to the Probation Unit, Office of the Chief Trial Counsel
 - iii. and until Respondent does the following: _____

B. The above-referenced suspension shall be stayed.

2. Probation.

Respondent shall be placed on probation for a period of two (2) years which shall commence upon the effective date of the Supreme Court order herein. (See rule 953, California Rules of Court.)

3. Actual Suspension.

- A. Respondent shall be actually suspended from the practice of law in the State of California for a period of thirty (30) days
 - i. and until Respondent shows proof satisfactory to the State Bar Court of rehabilitation and present fitness to practice and present learning and ability in the law pursuant to standard 1.4(c)(ii), Standards for Attorney Sanctions for Professional Misconduct
 - ii. and until Respondent pays restitution to _____ [payee(s)] (or the Client Security Fund, if appropriate), in the amount of _____, plus 10% per annum accruing from _____ and provides proof thereof to the Probation Unit, Office of the Chief Trial Counsel
 - iii. and until Respondent does the following: _____

E. Additional Conditions of Probation:

- (1) If Respondent is actually suspended for two years or more, he/she shall remain actually suspended until he/she proves to the State Bar Court his/her rehabilitation, fitness to practice, and learning and ability in general law, pursuant to standard 1.4(c)(ii), Standards for Attorney Sanctions for Professional Misconduct.
- (2) During the probation period, Respondent shall comply with the provisions of the State Bar Act and Rules of Professional Conduct.
- (3) Within ten (10) days of any change, Respondent shall report to the Membership Records Office of the State Bar and to the Probation Unit, all changes of information, including current office address and telephone number, or other address for State Bar purposes, as prescribed by section 6002.1 of the Business and Professions Code.
- (4) Respondent shall submit written quarterly reports to the Probation Unit on each January 10, April 10, July 10, and October 10 of the period of probation. Under penalty of perjury, respondent shall state whether respondent has complied with the State Bar Act, the Rules of Professional Conduct, and all

conditions of probation during the preceding calendar quarter. If the first report would cover less than 30 days, that report shall be submitted on the next quarterly date, and cover the extended period.

In addition to all quarterly reports, a final report, containing the same information, is due no earlier than twenty (20) days before the last day of the period of probation and no later than the last day of probation.

- (5) Respondent shall be assigned a probation monitor. Respondent shall promptly review the terms and conditions of probation with the probation monitor to establish a manner and schedule of compliance. During the period of probation, respondent shall furnish to the monitor such reports as may be requested, in addition to the quarterly reports required to be submitted to the Probation Unit. Respondent shall cooperate fully with the probation monitor.
- (6) Subject to assertion of applicable privileges, Respondent shall answer fully, promptly and truthfully any inquiries of the Probation Unit of the Office of the Chief Trial Counsel and any probation monitor assigned under these conditions which are directed to Respondent personally or in writing relating to whether Respondent is complying or has complied with the probation conditions.
- (7) Within one (1) year of the effective date of the discipline herein, respondent shall provide to the Probation Unit satisfactory proof of attendance at a session of the Ethics School, and passage of the test given at the end of that session.
 - No Ethics School recommended.
- (8) Respondent shall comply with all conditions of probation imposed in the underlying criminal matter and shall so declare under penalty of perjury in conjunction with any quarterly report to be filed with the Probation Unit.
- (9) The following conditions are attached hereto and incorporated:
 - Substance Abuse Conditions Law Office Management Conditions
 - Medical Conditions Financial Conditions
- (10) Other conditions negotiated by the parties:
 - Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination: Respondent shall provide proof of passage of the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination ("MPRE"), administered by the National Conference of Bar Examiners, to the Probation Unit of the Office of the Chief Trial Counsel during the period of actual suspension or within one year, whichever period is longer. Failure to pass the MPRE results in actual suspension without further hearing until passage. But see rule 951(b), California Rules of Court, and rule 321(a)(1) & (b), Rules of Procedure.
 - No MPRE recommended.
 - Rule 955, California Rules of Court: Respondent shall comply with the provisions of subdivisions (a) and (c) of rule 955, California Rules of Court, within 30 and 40 days, respectively, from the effective date of the Supreme Court order herein.
 - Conditional Rule 955, California Rules of Court: If Respondent remains actually suspended for 90 days or more, he/she shall comply with the provisions of subdivisions (a) and (c) of rule 955, California Rules of Court, within 120 and 130 days, respectively, from the effective date of the Supreme Court order herein.
 - Credit for Interim Suspension [conviction referral cases only]: Respondent shall be credited for the period of his/her interim suspension toward the stipulated period of actual suspension.

ATTACHMENT TO
STIPULATION RE FACTS, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND DISPOSITION
IN THE MATTER OF JAMES V. DOIRON
CASE NUMBER 02-O-12361

FACTS AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Respondent admits that the following facts are true and that he is culpable of violation of the Business and Professions Code.

Case Number 02-O-12361

Facts

1. On or about August 17, 2001, the Supreme Court of California entered an order (S099547), effective September 1, 2001, suspending Respondent from the practice of law as a result of Respondent's failure to pay membership fees to the State Bar of California. On or about August 17, 2001, the State Bar of California Membership Records office properly mailed a copy of the Supreme Court order to Respondent at his then membership records address.

2. On or about October 26, 2001, while Respondent was actually suspended from the practice of law, Respondent appeared in the San Bernardino Superior Court for a sentencing hearing, on behalf of the defendant, in the matter of People v. Auzenne, case no. FVI011130 (People v. Auzenne).

3. On or about October 29, 2001, while Respondent was actually suspended from the practice of law, Respondent appeared in the San Bernardino Superior Court for a sentencing hearing, on behalf of the defendant, in the matter of People v. Auzenne.

4. On or about November 19, 2001, while Respondent was actually suspended from the practice of law, Respondent appeared in the San Bernardino Superior Court at a sentencing hearing, on behalf of the defendant, in the matter of People v. Auzenne.

5. On or about November 27, 2001, while Respondent was actually suspended from the practice of law, Respondent appeared in the San Bernardino Superior Court at a hearing to request a motion to withdraw his client's plea, on behalf of the defendant, in the matter of People v. Auzenne.

6. On or about January 4, 2002, while Respondent was actually suspended from the practice of law, Respondent filed a motion to withdraw plea ("motion") in the San Bernardino Superior Court, on behalf of the defendant, in the matter of People v. Auzenne.

7. On or about January 25, 2002, while Respondent was actually suspended from the practice of law, Respondent appeared in the San Bernardino Superior Court at the hearing on the motion, on behalf of the defendant, in the matter of People v. Auzenne.

Conclusions of Law

By appearing in court and filing motions on behalf of his client in the matter of People v. Auzenne, Respondent held himself out as entitled to practice law and actually practiced law while not an active member of the State Bar of California in violation of Business and Professions Code Sections 6125 and 6126, and thereby failed to support the laws of the State of California in wilful violation of Business and Professions Code Section 6068(a).

PENDING PROCEEDINGS

The disclosure date referred to on page one, paragraph A.(6) was October 1, 2003.

COST OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

Respondent acknowledges that the Office of the Chief Trial Counsel has informed Respondent that as of October 1, 2003, the estimated prosecution costs in this matter are approximately \$2,341.00. Respondent acknowledges that this figure is an estimate only and it does not include State Bar costs which will be included in any final cost assessment. Respondent further acknowledges that should this stipulation be rejected or should relief from the stipulation be granted, the costs in this matter may increase due to the cost of further proceedings.

The parties stipulate that the costs are to be paid in three equal amounts, one third being added to and becoming a part of the membership fees for each of the years 2005, 2006 and 2007.

AUTHORITIES SUPPORTING DISCIPLINE

Standard 2.6 provides that "Culpability of a member of a violation of any of the following provisions of the Business and Professions Code shall result in disbarment or suspension depending on the gravity of the offense or the harm, if any, to the victim, with due regard to the purposes of imposing discipline set forth in standard 1.3:...(a) Sections 6067 and 6068;...(d) Sections 6125 and 6126;...."

In In the Matter of Trousil (Review Dept. 1990) 1 Cal State Bar Ct. Rptr. 229, Respondent was found culpable of having practiced law by representing a client in a bankruptcy matter while suspended due to a prior disciplinary matter. The court imposed discipline of 2 years

suspension stayed, 30 days actual suspension, and 2 years probation.

MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCES

Under Standard 1.2(e)(v), Respondent displayed spontaneous candor and cooperation to the victims of his misconduct and to the State Bar during disciplinary investigation and proceedings.

Date October 16/2003

James V. Doiron
Respondent's signature

JAMES V. DOI RON
print name

Date _____

Respondent's Counsel's signature _____

print name _____

Date 10-17-03

Michael J. Glass
Deputy Trial Counsel's signature

MICHAEL J. GLASS
print name

ORDER

Finding the stipulation to be fair to the parties and that it adequately protects the public, IT IS ORDERED that the requested dismissal of counts/charges, if any, is GRANTED without prejudice, and:

- The stipulated facts and disposition are APPROVED and the DISCIPLINE RECOMMENDED to the Supreme Court.
- The stipulated facts and disposition are APPROVED AS MODIFIED as set forth below, and the DISCIPLINE IS RECOMMENDED to the Supreme Court.

1. On page 5, paragraph (10), insert an "X" in the box requiring Multistate Responsibility Examination and delete the "X" in the box before "No MPRE recommended."

The parties are bound by the stipulation as approved unless: 1) a motion to withdraw or modify the stipulation, filed within 15 days after service of this order, is granted; or 2) this court modifies or further modifies the approved stipulation. (See rule 135(b), Rules of Procedure.) The effective date of this disposition is the effective date of the Supreme Court order herein, normally 30 days after file date. (See rule 953(a), California Rules of Court.)

Date 11/20/03

Richard A. Honn
Judge of the State Bar Court
RICHARD A. HONN

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
[Rule 62(b), Rules Proc.; Code Civ. Proc., § 1013a(4)]

I am a Case Administrator of the State Bar Court. I am over the age of eighteen and not a party to the within proceeding. Pursuant to standard court practice, in the City and County of Los Angeles, on November 20, 2003, I deposited a true copy of the following document(s):

**STIPULATION RE FACTS, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND DISPOSITION
AND ORDER APPROVING, filed November 20, 2003**

in a sealed envelope for collection and mailing on that date as follows:

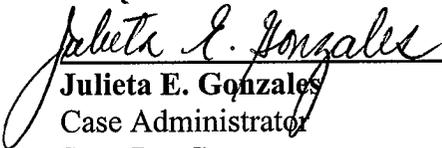
- [X] by first-class mail, with postage thereon fully prepaid, through the United States Postal Service at Los Angeles, California, addressed as follows:

**JAMES V DOIRON ESQQ
848 W BONITA AVE #B
CLAREMONT, CA 91711**

- [X] by interoffice mail through a facility regularly maintained by the State Bar of California addressed as follows:

Michael J. Glass, Enforcement, Los Angeles

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on **November 20, 2003**.



Julieta E. Gonzales
Case Administrator
State Bar Court