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**STATE BAR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
HEARING DEPARTMENT – SAN FRANCISCO**

In the Matter of)	Case No.: 05-J-02007-LMA
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WALTER B. LEBOWITZ)	ORDER REGARDING MOTION TO
)	REDUCE COSTS AND FOR LETTER RE
)	REINSTATEMENT ELIGIBILITY
Petitioner.)	
_____)	

On March 29, 2011, petitioner Walter B. Lebowitz filed a motion to reduce the amount of costs awarded in this case to \$1,000 on the grounds of financial hardship and to obtain a letter from the State Bar of California indicating that he is eligible to apply for reinstatement to the practice of law in California to be submitted to the Florida Bar where he intends to seek reinstatement.

On April 15, 2011, the Office of the Chief Trial Counsel (State Bar), by Mark Hartman, responded indicating no opposition to the reduction in the amount of costs but declining to provide the letter requested.

Having considered the parties' contentions and good cause appearing, the court GRANTS the motion reducing the total amount of costs to be paid in this matter to \$1,000, payable at such time as he seeks to be reinstated to the practice of law in California. Any petition for reinstatement by respondent in California must be accompanied by satisfactory proof that he has

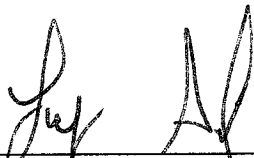


paid all costs imposed pursuant to this matter. (Rules Proc. of State Bar, rule 5.441(B)(2); Bus. & Prof. Code, § 6140.7.)

The motion regarding the letter of eligibility for reinstatement is DENIED as there is no authority for the court to take such action. Interested parties may assess eligibility for reinstatement by reviewing the applicable law, including rules 5.440 et seq, Rules Proc. of State Bar.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: May 5, 2011



LUCY ARMENDARIZ
Judge of the State Bar Court

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

[Rules Proc. of State Bar; Rule 5.27(B); Code Civ. Proc., § 1013a(4)]

I am a Case Administrator of the State Bar Court of California. 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 San Francisco, on May 5, 2011, I deposited a true copy of the following document(s):

ORDER REGARDING MOTION TO REDUCE COSTS AND FOR LETTER RE REINSTATEMENT ELIGIBILITY

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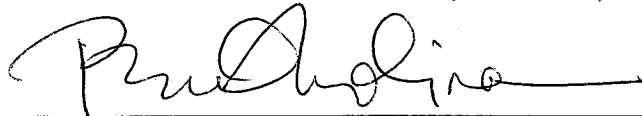
- by first-class mail, with postage thereon fully prepaid, through the United States Postal Service at San Francisco, California, addressed as follows:

WALTER B. LEBOWITZ
4000 TOWERSIDE TER #407
MIAMI, FL 33138

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

MARK HARTMAN, Enforcement, San Francisco

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in San Francisco, California, on May 5, 2011.



Bernadette C.O. Molina
Case Administrator
State Bar Court