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In the Matter of	Submitted to 🖾 assigned judge				
JANIS LOUISE TURNER Bar # 79217 A Member of the State Bar of California (Respondent)	STIPULATION RE FACTS, CONCLU DISPOSITION AND ORDER APPRO	OVING			

Note: All information required by this form and any additional information which cannot be provided in the space provided, must be set forth in an attachment to this stipulation under specific headings, e.g., "Facts," "Dismissals," "Conclusions of Law," "Supporting Authority," etc.

A. Parties' Acknowledgments:

- (1) Respondent is a member of the State Bar of California, admitted <u>January 19, 1978</u>
- (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 <u>10</u> 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) The parties must include supporting authority for the recommended level of discipline under the heading "Supporting Authority."
- (7) 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.

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(8)	Payment of Disciplinary Costs-Respondent acknowledges the provisions of Bus. & Prof. Code §§6086.10 &
	6140.7. (Check one option only):

- (a) Costs added to membership fee for calendar year following effective date of discipline
- (b) 🖾 costs to be paid in equal amounts prior to February 1 for the following membership years:

(hardship, special circumstances or other good cause per rule 282, Rules of Procedure)

- (c) 🛛 costs waived in part as set forth in a separate attachment entitled "Partial Waiver of Costs"
- (d)
 Costs entirely waived
- B. Aggravating Circumstances [for definition, see Standards for Attorney Sanctions for Professional Misconduct, standard 1.2(b)]. Facts supporting aggravating circumstances are required.
- (1) Prior record of discipline [see standard 1.2(f)] State Bar Court case # of prior case 02-0-10434(a) K May 23, 2004 (b) 苬 Date prior discipline effective Rules of Professional Conduct/State Bar Act violations: 3-110(A), 6068(e)Х (C) Degree of prior discipline 30 days stayed suspension; One(1) year probation (d) Й If Respondent has two or more incidents of prior discipline, use space provided below or a (e) separate attachment entitled "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.

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- (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) Discipline: Respondent has no prior record of discipline over many years of practice coupled with present misconduct which is not deemed serious.
- (2) D No Harm: Respondent did not harm the client or person who was the object of the misconduct.

- (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.

- (10) C 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.
- (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) CRehabilitation: 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:

D. Discipline

- 1. 🙀 Stayed Suspension.
 - (a) $\overline{\mathbb{X}}$ Respondent must be suspended from the practice of law for a period of <u>One (1) year</u>
 - 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 as set forth in the Financial Conditions form attached to this Stipulation.
 - iii. 🛛 and until Respondent does the following: _____

The above-referenced suspension is stayed.

2. 👳 Probation.

Respondent is placed on probation for a period of <u>Two (2) years</u>, which will commence upon the effective date of the Supreme Court order herein. (See rule 953, California Rules of Court.)

E. Additional Conditions of Probation:

- (1) During the probation period, Respondent must comply with the provisions of the State Bar Act and Rules of Professional Conduct.
- (2) Di Within ten (10) days of any change, Respondent must report to the Membership Records Office of the State Bar and to the Office of Probation of the State Bar of California ("Office of Probation"), 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.
- (3) Within 30 days from the effective date of discipline, Respondent must contact the Office of Probation and schedule a meeting with Respondent's assigned probation deputy to discuss these terms and conditions of probation. Upon the direction of the Office of Probation, Respondent must meet with the probation deputy either in-person or by telephone. During the period of probation, Respondent must promptly meet with the probation deputy as directed and upon request.
- (4) I Respondent must submit written quarterly reports to the Office of Probation on each January 10, April 10, July 10, and October 10 of the period of probation. Under penalty of perjury, respondent must 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. Respondent must also state in each report whether there are any proceedings pending against him or her in the State Bar Court and, if so, the case number and current status of that proceeding. If the first report would cover less than 30 days, that report must be submitted on the next quarter 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 must be assigned a probation monitor. Respondent must 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 must furnish to the monitor such reports as may be requested, in addition to the quarterly reports required to be submitted to the Office of Probation. Respondent must cooperate fully with the probation monitor.
- (6) Subject to assertion of applicable privileges, Respondent must answer fully, promptly and fruthfully any inquiries of the Office of Probation 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 must provide to the Office of Probation satisfactory proof of attendance at a session of State Bar Ethics School, and passage of the test given at the end of that session.
 - No Ethics School recommended, Reason: ______
- (8) Respondent must comply with all conditions of probation imposed in the underlying criminal matter and must so declare under penalty of perjury in conjunction with any quarterly report to be filed with the Office of Probation.
- (9) Ihe following conditions are attached hereto and incorporated:
 - Substance Abuse Conditions
 Law Office Management Conditions
 Medical Conditions
 Financial Conditions





F. Other Conditions Negotiated by the Parties:

(1) I Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination: Respondent must provide proof of passage of the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination ("MPRE"), administered by the National Conference of Bar Examiners, to the Office of Probation within one year. 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) & (c), Rules of Procedure.

No MPRE recommended. Reason: <u>Respondent already successfully passed</u> the MPRE required by last discipline within the last two years.

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STIPULATION RE FACTS, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND DISPOSITION

IN THE MATTER OF: JANIS LOUISE TURNER

CASE NO.: 05-O-03291

FACTS AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

On April 23, 2004, the California Supreme Court issued an order imposing discipline ("Disciplinary Order") on Respondent in case number S122310. In the Disciplinary Order, the court placed Respondent on one (1) year probation subject to conditions of probation recommended by the Hearing Department of the State Bar Court in its Order Approving Stipulation filed on December 5, 2003 in State Bar Court case number 02-0-10434.

On May 23, 2004, the Disciplinary Order became effective.

On May 25, 2004, Probation Deputy Shuntinee Brinson of the Probation Unit of the State Bar of California sent a letter to Respondent enclosing a copy of the Disciplinary Order and the conditions of her probation. The Probation Deputy's letter was placed in a sealed envelope correctly addressed to Respondent at his State Bar of California membership records address. The letter was mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, by depositing for collection by the United States Postal Service in the ordinary course of business. The United States Postal Service did not return the Probation Deputy's letter as undeliverable or for any other reason.

Conditions of Respondent's probation required that she submit written quarterly reports to the Probation Unit on April 10, 2005, and the final report on May 23, 2005, stating under penalty of perjury, whether Respondent had complied with the State Bar Act, the Rules of Professional Conduct, and all conditions of probation during the calendar quarter; and to provide satisfactory proof of attendance at a session of the State Bar Ethics School, and passage of the test given at the end of that session, to the State Bar's Office of Probation by May 23, 2005.

Respondent failed to timely file the quarterly report due April 10, 2005, and the final report due May 23, 2005. While she belatedly filed the April 10, 2005 quarterly report, She has never filed the final report due May 23, 2005. Nor has Respondent provided satisfactory proof of her attendance at a session of the State Bar Ethics School, and passage of the test given at the end of that session.

By failing to timely file the quarterly report due April 10, 2005, and the final report due May 23, 2005, and failing to provide satisfactory proof of her attendance at a session of the State Bar Ethics School, and passage of the test given at the end of that session, Respondent failed to comply with Business and Professions Code section 6068(k).

COST OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

Respondent acknowledges that the Office of the Chief Trial Counsel has informed Respondent that as of

September 30, 2005, the estimated prosecution costs in this matter are approximately \$1,983.00. Respondent acknowledges that this figure is an estimate only and that it does not include State Bar Court 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.

AUTHORITIES SUPPORTING DISCIPLINE

STANDARDS FOR ATTORNEY SANCTIONS

Pursuant to Standard 1.3 of the Standards for Attorney Sanctions for Professional Misconduct:

The primary purposes of disciplinary proceedings conducted by the State Bar of California and of sanctions imposed upon a finding or acknowledgment of a member's professional misconduct are the protection of the public, the courts and the legal profession; the maintenance of high professional standards by attorneys and the protection of public confidence in the legal profession.

Pursuant to Standard 2.6 of the Standards for Attorney Sanctions for Professional Misconduct:

Culpability of a member of a violation of [section 6068(k) 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.

PENDING PROCEEDINGS

The disclosure date referred to, on page one, paragraph A.(7), was September 29, 2005.

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SIGNATURE OF THE PARTIES

By their signatures below, the parties and their counsel, as applicable, signify their agreement with each of the recitations and each of the terms and conditions of this Stipulation Re Facts, Conclusions of Law and Disposition.

10/14/05

signature

JANIS LOUISE TURNER Print name

Date

Respondent's Counsel's signature

Print name

Date 10-18-05

s signature **Deputy Trial**

ERIN M. JOYCE Print name

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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.

All Hearing dates are vacated.

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.)

10-25-05

Date

Judge of the State Bar Court

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE [Rule 62(b), Rules Proc.; 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 Los Angeles, on October 26, 2005, I deposited a true copy of the following document(s):

STIPULATION RE FACTS, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND DISPOSITION AND ORDER APPROVING

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:

JANIS L. TURNER, A/L 2515 CAMINO DEL RIO S #324 SAN DIEGO CA 92108-3737

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

ERIN JOYCE, A/L, Enforcement, Los Angeles

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on **October 26, 2005**.

With. Rose M. Luthi

Case Administrator State Bar Court