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**State Bar Court of California**  
**Hearing Department**  
**Los Angeles**

PUBLIC MATTER

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<p>In Pro Per Respondent</p> <p><b>Michele Christine Rico-Jaramillo</b>  <b>P.O. Box 1172</b>  <b>La Habra, CA 90633</b></p> <p>Bar # 186346</p>	<p>Submitted to: <b>Assigned Judge</b></p> <p>STIPULATION RE FACTS, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND DISPOSITION AND ORDER APPROVING</p> <p><b>ACTUAL SUSPENSION</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PREVIOUS STIPULATION REJECTED</p>	
<p>In the Matter Of:  <b>Michele Christine Rico-Jaramillo</b></p> <p>Bar # 186346</p> <p>A Member of the State Bar of California          (Respondent)</p>		

**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
- (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 consists of **12** pages, not including the order.
- (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.
- (8) ~~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: **three (3) billing cycles following the effective date of the Supreme Court Order on this matter.**  
(hardship, special circumstances or other good cause per rule 284, Rules of Procedure)
  - costs waived in part as set forth in a separate attachment entitled "Partial Waiver of Costs"
  - 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)]
- (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.
- (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:**

See page 8 of this Stipulation.

**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 with 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**

See page 8-9 of this Stipulation.

## D. Discipline:

(1)  **Stayed Suspension:**

- (a)  Respondent must be suspended from the practice of law for a period of **one (1) year**.
- 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:
- (b)  The above-referenced suspension is stayed.

(2)  **Probation:**

Respondent must be placed on probation for a period of **two (2) years**, which will commence upon the effective date of the Supreme Court order in this matter. (See rule 9.18, California Rules of Court)

(3)  **Actual Suspension:**

- (a)  Respondent must 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 as set forth in the Financial Conditions form attached to this stipulation.
  - 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 must 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 must comply with the provisions of the State Bar Act and Rules of Professional Conduct.
- (3)  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.
- (4)  Within thirty (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.

- (5)  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 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.

- (6)  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.
- (7)  Subject to assertion of applicable privileges, Respondent must answer fully, promptly and truthfully 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.
- (8)  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 the Ethics School, and passage of the test given at the end of that session.
- No Ethics School recommended. Reason: .
- (9)  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.
- (10)  The following conditions are attached hereto and incorporated:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Substance Abuse Conditions    | <input type="checkbox"/> Law Office Management Conditions |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medical Conditions | <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Conditions             |

### F. Other Conditions Negotiated by the Parties:

- (1)  **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 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 9.10(b), California Rules of Court, and rule 321(a)(1) & (c), Rules of Procedure.**
- No MPRE recommended. Reason: .
- (2)  **Rule 9.20, California Rules of Court:** Respondent must comply with the requirements of rule 9.20,

California Rules of Court, and perform the acts specified in subdivisions (a) and (c) of that rule within 30 and 40 calendar days, respectively, after the effective date of the Supreme Court's Order in this matter.

- (3)  **Conditional Rule 9.20, California Rules of Court:** If Respondent remains actually suspended for 90 days or more, he/she must comply with the requirements of rule 9.20, California Rules of Court, and perform the acts specified in subdivisions (a) and (c) of that rule within 120 and 130 calendar days, respectively, after the effective date of the Supreme Court's Order in this matter.
- (4)  **Credit for Interim Suspension [conviction referral cases only]:** Respondent will be credited for the period of his/her interim suspension toward the stipulated period of actual suspension. Date of commencement of interim suspension:
- (5)  **Other Conditions:**

#### MEDICAL CONDITIONS

In order to address Respondent's emotional difficulties as described in this stipulation, Respondent must comply with the following mental health conditions:

Respondent must obtain psychiatric or psychological help/treatment/therapy from a duly licensed psychiatrist, psychologist or clinical social worker at Respondent's own expense a minimum of three (3) times per month for the first six (6) months after the effective date of the discipline in this matter. Thereafter, Respondent, at her own expense, must obtain said help/treatment/therapy at a minimum of once (1) per month for the following one (1) year.

In the alternative, Respondent must enroll in the Lawyers Assistance Program ("LAP") and comply with all provisions and conditions of her Participation Agreement with LAP at her own expense.

Respondent must provide a copy of this stipulation to her chosen mental health care provider within thirty (30) days after the effective date of the discipline in this matter.

If requested by the Office of Probation, Respondent must, within thirty (30) days of the request, provide the Office of Probation a waiver permitting it to obtain all of Respondent's medical records relating to her help/treatment/therapy obtained pursuant to this stipulation or her LAP Participation Agreement and all information relating to her compliance with the Participation Agreement and these conditions. Any information obtained by the Office of Probation pursuant to the waiver will be held in confidence by the Office of Probation and will not be disseminated except to members of the Office of Probation, the Office of the Chief Trial Counsel and the State Bar Court, who are directly involved with maintaining, enforcing or adjudicating these conditions. Revocation of the waiver is a violation of this condition.

Respondent must report to the Office of Probation that she is in compliance with these conditions and identify the name, address and telephone number of her mental health care provider with each quarterly report due under the terms of this stipulation.

If Respondent believes that there has been a material improvement or change in her emotional state such that these conditions should be modified, she may file a motion with the State Bar Court, pursuant to rule 550 of the Rules of Procedure of the State Bar of California, seeking a modification of these conditions. Such a motion must be supported by a written statement made under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California by a licensed psychiatrist, psychologist or clinical social worker.

Respondent has been informed of the existence, nature and availability of the State Bar's Lawyer Assistance Program and the State Bar Court's Alternative Discipline Program.

**ATTACHMENT TO**  
**STIPULATION RE FACTS, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND DISPOSITION**

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IN THE MATTER OF: MICHELE CHRISTINE RICO-JARAMILLO,  
State Bar No. 186346

INVESTIGATION NUMBER: 05-O-04886

**FACTS AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Respondent was admitted to the practice of law in the State of California on December 10, 1996.

On or about April 2, 2002, Alexia Hamner ("Alexia") employed Respondent to represent her in the dissolution of her marriage to Gary Hamner ("Gary").

On or about April 26, 2002, Respondent filed a petition for dissolution of marriage on Alexia's behalf. The case was titled *Hamner v. Hamner*, Orange County Superior Court Case No. 02D004114. Respondent prosecuted that case on behalf of Alexia to its conclusion in or about November 2005.

On January 29, 2004, Respondent sent Alexia an invoice for the legal fees that had accrued in the dissolution matter up to that point in time. This was not the first invoice that Respondent sent Alexia, but it was the last. As such, Respondent never billed Alexia for the additional legal fees which accrued after January 29, 2004. The January 2004 invoice was paid by Alexia in various installments, the final of which was made in October 2004.

In or about May 2005, Respondent was authorized to make a final disbursement of funds she had been holding in a special trust account for the benefit of Alexia and Gary. Those funds came into Respondent's possession as a result of the sale of real property owned by Alexia and Gary.

In May 2005, Respondent promptly and properly disbursed Gary's share of the subject funds and transferred Alexia's share of the funds, \$98,047.38, to her Client Trust Account.

On or about May 5, 2005, Respondent informed Alexia that she held \$98,047.38 on Alexia's behalf which was now available for distribution. With that communication, Respondent also informed Alexia that she would send Alexia an updated invoice for Respondent's legal services. Later in May 2005, after having not received an updated invoice from Respondent, Alexia asked Respondent to send the invoice and account for the funds Respondent held for her.

On or about June 1, 2005, Respondent sent Alexia a wire transfer for \$85,000. After accounting for costs associated with the wire transfer, Respondent held \$12,980.78 on behalf of Alexia.

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Respondent never sent Alexia a written accounting of her funds, nor an updated invoice.

Thereafter, Respondent held Alexia's \$12,980.78 in her Client Trust Account until September 16, 2008 when she disbursed the funds to Alexia. On that date, Respondent spoke with Alexia, apologized to her, and explained the facts and circumstances surrounding Alexia's funds and Respondent's failure to promptly disburse same. Respondent also informed Alexia that she would waive all further legal fees owed by Alexia as a good faith gesture in light of her failure to provide Alexia an invoice, written accounting and timely disbursement of her funds. A reasonable estimate of the legal fees waived by Respondent is \$6,000.

Alexia has informed the State Bar that she is satisfied with Respondent's explanation for the delay in the distribution of her funds and that no further accounting is necessary.

### Legal Conclusions

By failing to send Alexia an updated invoice and an accounting of her \$98,047.38, Respondent failed to render appropriate accounts to a client regarding client funds coming into Respondent's possession in wilful violation of Rules of Professional Conduct, rule 4-100(B)(3).

By failing to disburse Alexia's \$12,980.78, which Alexia requested and was entitled to receive, until September 2008, Respondent failed to promptly deliver client funds which the client was entitled to receive in wilful violation of Rules of Professional Conduct, rule 4-100(B)(4).

### **FACTS IN AGGRAVATION**

Alexia was harmed by Respondent's misconduct in that she was deprived of the use of her funds for over three years.

### **FACTS IN MITIGATION**

In December 2003, Respondent gave birth to her son. About that time, Respondent also began experiencing problems in her marriage. As a result of those two issues, about that time and continuing for years thereafter, Respondent suffered from emotional difficulties which, among other things, made it difficult for her to deal with highly charged or emotional situations. While Respondent's emotional difficulties did not prevent her from competently performing legal services, they did cause her to avoid, or delay dealing with, emotional situations.

Respondent explains that due to circumstances surrounding Alexia and her divorce proceeding, communicating with Alexia and finalizing her legal bill and distribution of funds became an emotional situation which Respondent avoided.

Respondent further explains that she first attempted to address and understand her emotional difficulties approximately 2 ½ years ago by seeing her doctor, a general practitioner, regarding sleeping problems she was experiencing. The doctor had blood tests performed, but was unable to diagnose any problem. Respondent then began participating in counseling at her church. While that counseling provided emotional support, Respondent did not believe that it was sufficient to identify and address the cause of her problem. Therefore, Respondent sought and began therapy with a licensed professional therapist.

Respondent began her counseling with the therapist in August 2008. Respondent has experienced improvement since she began the professional counseling and believes that with continued counseling she will completely resolve her difficulties.

Respondent also recognized and acknowledged the wrongfulness of her conduct. As set forth above, Respondent waived a significant portion of the legal fees she earned on Alexia's case in an effort to mitigate the harm suffered by Alexia.

Finally, Respondent has no record of prior discipline since being admitted to the State Bar of California and commencing her practice of law in December 1996.

#### **DISCUSSION RE STIPULATED DISCIPLINE**

Standard 1.3 of the *Standards For Attorney Sanctions For Professional Misconduct* provides that the primary purpose of discipline is the protection of the public, the courts and legal profession; maintenance of high professional standards; and the preservation of public confidence in the legal profession.

Standard 2.2(b) provides that a violation of rule 4-100, other than the wilful misappropriation of entrusted funds or property, shall result in at least a three month actual suspension irrespective of mitigating circumstances.

In the case of *In re Ronald Robert Silverton*, (2005) 36 Cal.4th 81, the Supreme Court discussed the fact that the *Standards For Attorney Sanctions For Professional Misconduct* are entitled to great weight and the State Bar Court should follow their guidance whenever possible. (*Silverton* 36 Cal.4th at 92)

However, the Court in *Silverton* also indicated that the State Bar Court may deviate from the *Standards* where there exists grave doubt as to the propriety of applying them in a particular

case. (*Silverton* 36 Cal.4th at 92) For example, deviation from the *Standards* may be appropriate where extraordinary circumstances exist or where the imposition of discipline called for by the *Standards* would be manifestly unjust.

The parties submit that given the circumstances of this case, which can be reasonably described as extraordinary, it would be manifestly unjust to apply *Standard 2.2(b)* in this matter without deviation.

During the period of Respondent's misconduct, she suffered from emotional difficulties which she did not understand and could not control. Those difficulties contributed to Respondent's misconduct. However, those difficulties were not so severe that they prevented Respondent from competently practicing law. As such, Respondent did not fully appreciate the impact the difficulties had on her life until she began her counseling with a professional therapist. Once Respondent began that counseling she took steps to address her misconduct as described above.

Secondly, Respondent maintained Alexia's funds in trust at all times prior to their disbursement. While this fact does not extinguish her culpability as stipulated to above, it demonstrates that Respondent did not abandon all of her fiduciary duties. This fact lends support to Respondent's explanation for how and why her misconduct occurred.

Finally, Respondent readily admits and recognizes the wrongfulness of her conduct. Respondent is remorseful and demonstrated that by waiving a significant portion of the legal fees she earned on Alexia's case in an effort to mitigate the harm suffered by Alexia.

Respondent's acceptance of wrongdoing, demonstration of remorse, recognition of her emotional difficulties and recent conduct in seeking professional counseling to address those difficulties, all of which occurred without the State Bar demanding or suggesting same, indicates that Respondent is not likely to commit future misconduct and does not present a future threat to the public or her clients.

Therefore, the parties further submit that the intent and goals of *Standard 1.3* are met in this matter by the imposition of a 30 day actual suspension along with those probationary conditions articulated herein, including that Respondent continue with her professional counseling.

## **PENDING PROCEEDINGS**

The disclosure date referred to, on page one, paragraph A.(7), was September 19, 2008.

**COSTS OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS.**

~~Respondent acknowledges that the Office of the Chief Trial Counsel has informed Respondent that as of September 19, 2008, the rough estimate of disciplinary costs to be assessed in this matter is \$2000.~~

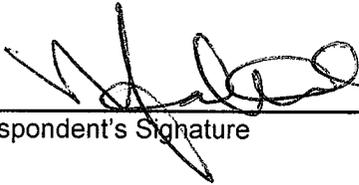
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**SIGNATURE OF THE PARTIES**

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 Fact, Conclusions of Law and Disposition.

9-23-08  
Date

  
Respondent's Signature

Michele Christine Rico-Jaramillo  
Print Name

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Date

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Respondent's Counsel Signature

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Print Name

9/23/08  
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Deputy Trial Counsel's Signature

Kevin B. Taylor  
Print Name

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In the Matter Of <b>Michele Christine Rico-Jaramillo</b>	Case Number(s): <b>Investigation No. 05-O-04486</b>
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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 9.18(a), California Rules of Court.)**

09-25-08  
Date

  
Judge of the State Bar Court

**RICHARD A. PLATEL**

**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 September 30, 2008, I deposited a true copy of the following document(s):

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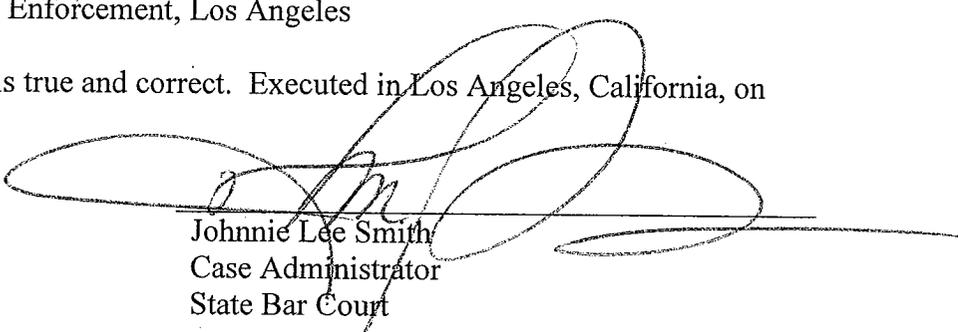
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LA HABRA, CA 90633

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

KEVIN TAYLOR, Enforcement, Los Angeles

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on September 30, 2008.



Johnnie Lee Smith  
Case Administrator  
State Bar Court