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Counsel For The State Bar Kimberly J. Belvedere Office of the Chief Trial Counsel State Bar of California 1149 S. Hill Street Los Angeles, CA 90015-2299 (213)765-1162 Bar # 172472 In Pro Per Respondent Edward A. Esqueda 1455 West Beverly Blvd.	Case Number (s) 06-O-13716 07-O-14793 08-O-10534 08-O-11404	(for Court's use) MAY 02 2011 STATE BAR COURT CLERK'S OFFICE LOS ANGELES		
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Bar # 146057 In the Matter Of: Edward A. Esqueda	Submitted to: Assigned Judge STIPULATION RE FACTS, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND DISPOSITION AND ORDER APPROVING			
•	ACTUAL SUSPENSION			
Bar # 146057	☐ PREVIOUS STIPULATION REJECTED			
A Member of the State Bar of California (Respondent)				

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 May 21, 1990.
- (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 14 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".

(Stipulation form approved by SBC Executive Committee 10/16/00. Revised 12/16/2004; 12/13/2006.)

Actual Suspension

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(6)	Th "Su	parties must include supporting authority for the recommended level of discipline under the heading pporting Authority."					
(7)	No pei	o more than 30 days prior to the filing of this stipulation, Respondent has been advised in writing of any ending investigation/proceeding not resolved by this stipulation, except for criminal investigations.					
(8)	Pa 614	ment of Disciplinary Costs—Respondent acknowledges the provisions of Bus. & Prof. Code §§6086.10 & 0.7. (Check one option only):					
		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: 2012 and 2013.					
		(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					
ı	Prof	avating Circumstances [for definition, see Standards for Attorney Sanctions for essional Misconduct, standard 1.2(b)]. Facts supporting aggravating circumstances equired.					
(1)	\boxtimes	Prior record of discipline [see standard 1.2(f)]					
	(a)	State Bar Court case # of prior case 00-O-11007					
	(b)	Date prior discipline effective June 19, 2001					
	(c)	Rules of Professional Conduct/ State Bar Act violations: 3-700(D)(1) [failure to promtly release client file]; 6068(m) B&P [failure to respond to status inquiries]; 6068(m) B&P [failure to keep client informed of significant development].					
	(d)	□ Degree of prior discipline Private reproval					
	(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.					

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(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.				
Add	lition	al aggravating circumstances:				
	No	one.				
		gating Circumstances [see standard 1.2(e)]. Facts supporting mitigating umstances 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)	\boxtimes	No Harm: Respondent did not harm the client or person who was the object of the misconduct. See Attachment to Stipulation re Facts, Conclusions of Law and Disposition ("Attachment") at page 12				
(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

		Se	e Atta	achment at page 12			
D.	Disc	scipline:					
(1)	\boxtimes	Stay	∕ed Sι	spension:			
	(a)	\boxtimes	Resp	condent must be suspended from the practice of law for a period of 3 (three) years.			
		1.		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)	\boxtimes	The a	above-referenced suspension is stayed.			
(2)	\boxtimes	Prot	ation				
	Res effe	pondective	ent mu date o	ust be placed on probation for a period of 3 (three) years, which will commence upon the fithe Supreme Court order in this matter. (See rule 9.18, California Rules of Court)			
(3)	\boxtimes	Actual Suspension:					
	(a)	\boxtimes		ondent must be actually suspended from the practice of law in the State of California for a period (ninety) 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. <i>A</i>	Addit	iona	l Cor	nditions of Probation:			
(1)		he/sh	ne prov	ent is actually suspended for two years or more, he/she must remain actually suspended until ves to the State Bar Court his/her rehabilitation, fitness to practice, and learning and ability in versuant to standard 1.4(c)(ii), Standards for Attorney Sanctions for Professional Misconduct.			
(2)	\boxtimes			probation period, Respondent must comply with the provisions of the State Bar Act and Rules of all Conduct.			
(3)	\boxtimes	State	Bar a	10) days of any change, Respondent must report to the Membership Records Office of the nd to the Office of Probation of the State Bar of California ("Office of Probation"), all changes of 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.

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			mation, including current office address oses, as prescribed by section 6002.1		phone number, or other address for State Bar iness 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.					
					ining the same information, is due no earlier than robation 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)	\boxtimes	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)	\boxtimes	The	ollowing conditions are attached heret	o and inco	rporated:		
			Substance Abuse Conditions		Law Office Management Conditions		
			Medical Conditions	\boxtimes	Financial Conditions		
F. Other Conditions Negotiated by the Parties:							
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.							

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(2)	\boxtimes	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:

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Fii	nancial Conditions				
a.	Restitution				
	Respondent must pay restitution payee(s) listed below. If the Cl or any portion of the principal amount(s) paid, plus applicable	lient Security Fund (" imount(s) listed belov	CSF") has r	eimbursed one or more of t	he payee(s) for all
	Payee	Principal Amount		Interest Accrues From	
b.	Respondent must pay above-re Probation not later than Installment Restitution Payments		and provide	e satisfactory proof of payme	ent to the Office of
	Respondent must pay the above must provide satisfactory proof as otherwise directed by the Of probation (or period of reproval the payment of restitution, included)	of payment to the Of fice of Probation. No), Respondent must (fice of Prob later than	pation with each quarterly pr 30 days prior to the expiration	obation report, or on of the period of
	Payee/CSF (as applicable)	Minimum Payment	Amount	Payment Frequency	
	If Respondent fails to pay any in the remaining balance is due are			or as may be modified by the	e State Bar Court,
c.	Client Funds Certificate				
	report, Respondent mu public accountant or oth a. Respondent has ma California, at a brar	st file with each requiner financial profession aintained a bank acc	ired report a onal approv ount in a ba e State of Ca	g the period covered by a re a certificate from Responder red by the Office of Probation ank authorized to do busines alifornia, and that such acco	nt and/or a certified n, certifying that: ss in the State of

- b. Respondent has kept and maintained the following:
 - i. A written ledger for each client on whose behalf funds are held that sets forth:
 - 1. the name of such client;
 - 2. the date, amount and source of all funds received on behalf of such client;
 - the date, amount, payee and purpose of each disbursement made on behalf of such client; and,
 - 4. the current balance for such client.
 - i. a written journal for each client trust fund account that sets forth:
 - 1. the name of such account:
 - 2. the date, amount and client affected by each debit and credit; and,
 - 3. the current balance in such account.
 - iii. all bank statements and cancelled checks for each client trust account; and,
 - iv. each monthly reconciliation (balancing) of (i), (ii), and (iii), above, and if there are any differences between the monthly total balances reflected in (i), (ii), and (iii), above, the reasons for the differences.
- c. Respondent has maintained a written journal of securities or other properties held for clients that specifies:
 - i. each item of security and property held;
 - ii. the person on whose behalf the security or property is held;
 - iii. the date of receipt of the security or property;
 - iv. the date of distribution of the security or property; and,
 - v. the person to whom the security or property was distributed.
- 2. If Respondent does not possess any client funds, property or securities during the entire period covered by a report, Respondent must so state under penalty of perjury in the report filed with the Office of Probation for that reporting period. In this circumstance, Respondent need not file the accountant's certificate described above.
- 3. The requirements of this condition are in addition to those set forth in rule 4-100, Rules of Professional Conduct.

d. Client Trust Accounting School

Within one (1) year of the effective date of the discipline herein, Respondent must supply to the Office of Probation satisfactory proof of attendance at a session of the Ethics School Client Trust Accounting School, within the same period of time, and passage of the test given at the end of that session.

ATTACHMENT TO STIPULATION RE: FACTS; CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND DISPOSITION

In the Matter of:

EDWARD A. ESQUEDA, No. 146057

Case No.:

06-O-13716; 07-O-14793; 08-O-10534; 08-O-11404

WAIVER OF VARIANCE

The parties waive any variance between the Notice of Disciplinary Charges ("NDC") filed on October 12, 2010, and the facts and/or conclusions of law contained in this stipulation. Additionally, the parties waive the issuance of an amended Notice of Disciplinary Charges. The parties further waive the right to the filing of a Notice of Disciplinary Charges and to a formal hearing on any charge not included in the pending Notice of Disciplinary Charges.

FACTS AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Respondent admits that the following facts are true and that he is culpable of violation of the specified Rule of Professional Conduct.

Statement of Facts:

- 1. Respondent has maintained client trust account #XXXXXX 1481¹ at Far East National Bank ("CTA") since April 7, 1998. Respondent is the only authorized signatory on the client trust account, and the only person who authorizes automatic deductions to be paid from the CTA.
- 2. Between on September 2, 2004 and on February 28, 2005, Respondent withdrew funds from his CTA to pay non-client related personal and business expenses including, but not limited to, the following:
- 3. On August 19, 2004, Respondent issued check no. 1763 from the CTA payable to G.B. Esqueda in the sum of \$400.00.
- 4. On August 31, 2004; September 24, 2004; October 31, 2004; December 29, 2004; and January 31, 2005, Respondent issued check nos. 1764, 1775, 1789, 1815, and 1825 from the CTA payable to Countrywide Home Loans, each check in the sum of \$3,381.33.
- 5. On September 2, 2004, Respondent issued check no. 1765 from the CTA payable to American Express [account number 91004] in the sum of \$576.13.
- 6. On September 24, 2004, Respondent issued check no. 1776 from the CTA payable to American Express in the sum of \$369.49
- 7. On October 15, 2004, Respondent issued check no. 1780 from the CTA payable to American Express in the sum of \$1,839.71.

Complete account information omitted for this account and all subsequent accounts for privacy considerations. (Stipulation form approved by SBC Executive Committee 10/16/00. Revised 12/16/2004.)

- 8. On December 13, 2004, Respondent issued check no. 1799 from the CTA payable to American Express in the sum of \$1,171.25.
- 9. On December 13, 2004, Respondent issued check no. 1801 from the CTA payable to American Express in the sum of \$4,011.08
- 10. On February 23, 2005, Respondent issued check no. 1830 from the CTA payable to American Express in the sum of \$1,811.86.
- 11. On February 2, 2005, Respondent issued check no. 1828 from the CTA payable to American Express in the sum of \$4,122.23
- 12. On September 15, 2004; October 15, 2004; December 17, 2004; and January 17, 2005, Respondent issued check nos. 1772, 1781, 1797 and 1821 from the CTA payable to Bank of America [account number ******4276], each check in the sum of \$361.71.
- 13. On September 8, 2004 and September 30, 2004, Respondent issued check nos. 1769 and 1778 from the CTA payable to Bank of America, account number ****7913, each in the sum of \$3,000.00.
- 14. On November 6, 2004, Respondent issued check no. 1791 from the CTA payable to Bank of America, account number *****7913, in the sum of \$2,237.69.
- 15. On December 9, 2004, Respondent issued check no. 1795 from the CTA payable to Bank of America, account number *****7913, in the sum of \$1,737.69.
- 16. On January 7, 2005, Respondent issued check no. 1820 from the CTA payable to Bank of America, account number *****7913, in the sum of \$3,237.69.
- 17. On each of September 9, 2004; October 12, 2004, November 10, 2004; December 10, 2004; January 10, 2004; and February 9, 2005, a pre-authorized withdrawal was automatically deducted from Respondent's CTA, in the sum of \$879.97, payable to BMW Bank BMWFS.
- 18. On each of September 7, 2004; October 5, 2004; November 4, 2004; December 6, 2004; January 4, 2005; and February 4, 2005, a pre-authorized withdrawal was automatically deducted from Respondent's CTA by TWX* AOL Service in the sum of \$28.90.
- 19. On September 10, 2004; September 24, 2004, October 8, 2004; October 22, 2004; November 5, 2004; November 29, 2004; December 3, 2004; December 17, 2004; and December 31, 2004, Respondent issued checks from the CTA payable to Gladys Oropeza, an employee, each in the sum of \$608.28.
- 20. On September 21, 2004, Respondent issued check no. 1773 from the CTA payable to Homecomings Financial in the sum of \$2,199.20.
- 21. On October 22, 2004, Respondent issued check no. 1788 from the CTA payable to Homecomings Financial in the sum of \$4,199.20.

- 22. On December 27, 2004, Respondent issued check no. 1806 from the CTA payable to Homecomings Financial in the sum of \$4,199.20.
- 23. On January 24, 2005, Respondent issued check no. 1823 from the CTA payable to Homecomings Financial in the sum of \$2,500.00.
- 24. On September 22, 2004; October 19, 2004; and December 21, 2004; Respondent issued check no. 1774 from the CTA payable to KeyBank National Association, each in the sum of 1,399.23.
- 25. On September 15, 2004; November 10, 2004; and December 13, 2004, Respondent issued check nos. 1770, 1792, and 1800 from the CTA payable to Onyx Acceptance Corp. in the sum of \$1,839.57.
- 26. On each of September 14, 2004; October 14, 2004; November 12, 2004; and December 14, 2004, a pre-authorized withdrawal was automatically deducted from Respondent's CTA by the Internal Revenue Service in the sum of \$307.08.
- 27. On January 14, 2005, a pre-authorized withdrawal was automatically deducted from Respondent's CTA by the Internal Revenue Service in the sum of \$460.62.
- 28. On February 14, 2005, two pre-authorized withdrawals were automatically deducted from Respondent's CTA by the Internal Revenue Service in the sum of \$5.76 each.
- 29. On February 14, 2005, a pre-authorized withdrawal was automatically deducted from Respondent's CTA by the Internal Revenue Service in the sum of \$152.20.
- 30. On February 8, 2005, a pre-authorized withdrawal was automatically deducted from Respondent's CTA by CAL Tax PPDAR in the sum of \$151.85.
- 31. On December 9, 2004, Respondent issued check no. 1796 from the CTA payable to Los Angeles County Tax Collector in the sum of \$3,292.59.
- 32. On September 14, 2004, a pre-authorized withdrawal was automatically deducted from Respondent's CTA, by the Employment Development Department in satisfaction of a tax lien against Respondent and his law firm, in the sum of of \$26.52.
- 33. On October 14, 2004; November 12, 2004 and December 14, 2004, a pre-authorized withdrawal was automatically deducted from Respondent's CTA by the Employment Development Department in satisfaction of a tax lien against Respondent and his law firm, in the sum of \$26.52.
- 34. On January 17, 2005, Respondent issued check no. 1822 from the CTA payable to Nordstrom in the sum of \$400.00.
- 35. On January 31, 2005, Respondent issued check no. 1826 from the CTA payable to State Farm Insurance in the sum of \$1,284.29.

- 36. On February 1, 2005, Respondent issued check no. 1827 from the CTA payable to the Department of Motor Vehicles in the sum of \$458.00.
- 37. On December 27, 2004, Respondent issued check no. 1807 from the CTA payable to Festival Travel in the sum of \$1,000.00.

Conclusions of Law

38. By using his CTA to pay his non-client related personal and business expenses, Respondent misused his client trust account, in willful violation of rule 4-100(A), Rules of Professional Conduct.

AGGRAVATING CIRCUMSTANCES

<u>Prior Discipline [Standard 1.2(b)(i)].</u> As indicated on page two, Respondent has one prior imposition of discipline imposed in Case No. 00-O-11007 for a violation of 3-700(D)(1) [failure to promptly release client file], and two violations of section 6068(m) of the Business and Professions Code for failure to respond to status inquiries and the failure to keep client informed of significant development. The discipline was effective June 19, 2001.

MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCES

<u>Lack of client harm</u>. Respondent's misuse of the trust account by issuing checks for non-client related personal and business expenses, as detailed in the ""Statement of Facts," do not evidence any misappropriation of client funds or other harm to a client.

ADDITIONAL MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCES

<u>Candor/Cooperation</u>. Respondent's willingness to admit some of the allegations in the NDC and enter into this stipulation evidences a degree of candor/cooperation that is entitled to mitigation.

DISMISSALS

The parties request that the Court dismiss the following alleged violations in the interest of justice:

Count One: rule 1-320(A) (Sharing Legal Fees with a Non-Lawyer), Case Nos. 06-O-13716 and 08-O-10534.

<u>Count Two:</u> section 6106 of the Business and Professions Code (Moral Turpitude – Misrepresentation to the State Bar), Case No. 06-O-13716.

[Counts Four, Five, Six, and Seven (Case No. 08-O-11404) were dismissed in the interest of justice upon oral motion of the State Bar].

AUTHORITIES SUPPORTING DISCIPLINE

Standard 2.2(b). Culpability of a member of commingling of entrusted funds or property with personal property or the commission of another violation of rule 4-100, Rules of Professional Conduct, none of which offenses result in the wilful misappropriation of entrusted funds or property shall result in at least a three month actual suspension from the practice of law, irrespective of mitigating circumstances.

Standard 1.7(a). If a member is found culpable of professional misconduct in any proceeding in which discipline may be imposed and the member has a record of one prior imposition of discipline as defined by standard 1.2(f), the degree of discipline imposed in the current proceeding shall be greater than that imposed in the prior proceeding unless the prior discipline imposed was so remote in time to the current proceeding and the offense for which it was imposed was so minimal in severity that imposing greater discipline in the current proceeding would be manifestly unjust.

ESTIMATED COSTS OF PROCEEDINGS TO DATE

Respondent acknowledges that the Office of Chief Trial Counsel has informed him that, as of March 30, 2011, the prosecution costs in this matter are <u>estimated</u> to be \$4,920.00. Respondent further acknowledges that should this stipulation be rejected or should relief from the stipulation be granted, the costs in this matter may increase.

PENDING PROCEEDINGS

The disclosure date referred to on page 2, paragraph A(7), was March 30, 2011.

/// END OF ATTACHMENT ///

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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.

4-2-11	El Canda	Edward A. Esqueda	
Daté	Respondent's Signature	Print Name	
4-2-11	la Esqueda /	IN PRO PER	
Date	Respondent's Jounsel Signature	Print Name	•
4-5-//	Kmm Delvale	Kimberly J. Belvedere	
Date	Deputy Trial Counsel's Signature	Print Name	
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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 5.58(E) & (F), 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.)

5/3/11

Judge of the State Bar Court

MCHARD A. M.

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 Los Angeles, on May 2, 2011, 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:

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

EDWARD A ESQUEDA ESQ 1455 W BEVERLY BLVD MONTEBELLO, CA 90640

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

Kimberly J. Belvedere, Enforcement, Los Angeles

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on May 2, 2011.

ulieta E. Gonzales

Case Administrator

State Bar Court