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

In the Matter of

**STEPHINE M. WELLS,**

Petitioner.

) Case Nos. **08-O-13791-PEM et al.**

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) **ORDER GRANTING PETITIONER'S  
REQUEST FOR RELIEF FROM COSTS**  
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**TO ALL PARTIES AND COUNSEL IN THE ABOVE ENTITLED MATTER:**

On August 8, 2011, petitioner **Stephine M. Wells** filed a motion for relief, in whole, from complying the order assessing costs (\$13,104.50) based on financial hardship.

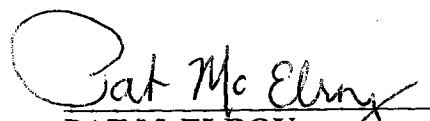
On August 15, 2011, Deputy Trial Counsel Mark Hartman of the Office of the Chief Trial Counsel of the State Bar of California filed a response and did not oppose petitioner's motion, based on the State Bar's own investigation and petitioner's financial declaration.

In view of petitioner's financial hardship and difficult circumstances and for good cause appearing, petitioner's request for relief, in whole, from paying the costs assessed is

**GRANTED.**

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated: August 23, 2011

  
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**PAT McELROY**  
Judge of the State Bar Court

