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In the Matter of)	Case No.: 08-PM-12565
)	
RUSSELL H. TAKASUGI,)	MODIFICATION ORDER
)	
Member No. 118792,)	
)	
<u>A Member of the State Bar.</u>)	

The court sua sponte MODIFIES the parties' stipulation as to facts, conclusions of law, and disposition and this court's order approving that stipulation which were filed on October 20, 2008, as follows:

1. On page 4 of the stipulation, the text in paragraph D(2) is deleted, and the following text is inserted in its place.


The probation imposed on respondent Russell H. Takasugi in the Supreme Court's March 29, 2007, order in case number S149864 (State Bar Court case number 05-O-01451) is revoked; the stay of execution of the two-year suspension imposed in that order is lifted; respondent is suspended from the practice of law for two years and until he provides proof to the satisfaction of the State Bar Court of his rehabilitation, fitness to practice, and learning and ability in the general law in accordance with standard 1.4(c)(ii) of the Standards for Attorney Sanctions for Professional Misconduct; execution of the suspension is stayed; respondent is placed on probation for two years on the same terms and conditions as previously imposed in case number S149864 except as indicated below; and respondent is actually suspended from the practice of law for 30 days and until he completes the one remaining hour of live instruction of continuing legal education in the area of law

office management and/or attorney client relations as ordered in case number S149864 and provides proof of his completion of that course to the State Bar's Office of Probation.

2. On page 4 of the stipulation, an "X" is inserted in box E(2) to include the requirement that, if respondent's actual suspension continues for two or more years, his actual suspension must continue until he complies with standard 1.4(c)(ii), Standards for Attorney Sanctions for Professional Misconduct.
3. On page 5 of the stipulation, an "X" is inserted in box F(3) to include the requirement that, if respondent's actual suspension continues for 90 days or more, he must comply with California Rules of Court, rule 9.20 and perform the acts specified in subdivisions (a) and (c) of that rule within 120 and 130 days, respectively, after the effective date of the Supreme Court order in this proceeding.

Any objection to these modifications must be filed within 15 days after the date of service of this order. If either party timely files an objection, the stipulation will be deemed rejected on the date the objection is filed without the necessity of further court order. If no timely objection is filed, the stipulation remains approved as modified herein, and the State Bar Court's staff is directed to transmit the record in this matter to the Supreme Court at that time without further delay.

Dated: December 15, 2008.



RICHARD A. HONN
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 December 18, 2008, I deposited a true copy of the following document(s):

MODIFICATION ORDER

in a sealed envelope for collection and mailing on that date as follows:

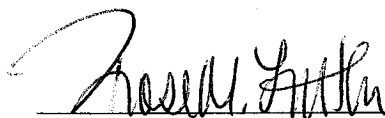
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- by interoffice mail through a facility regularly maintained by the State Bar of California addressed as follows:

TERRIE GOLDADE, ESQ., Office of Probation, Los Angeles

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on December 18, 2008.



Rose Luthi
Case Administrator
State Bar Court