



09-C-11956

REVIEW DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE BAR COURT

In the Matter of MICHAEL STEPHEN KUCSAN a Member of the State Bar of California

Michael Stephen Kucsan, State Bar Number 187828, has been convicted of violating Penal Code sections 646.9, subdivision (a)/422.75, subdivision (a) (stalking enhanced as hate crime), a felony. The review department determines that this violation is not a crime which inherently involves moral turpitude, but may involve moral turpitude or other misconduct warranting discipline based on the facts and circumstances surrounding the conviction. Because the criteria for summary disbarment are not satisfied, we deny the State Bar's motion requesting summary disbarment.

As a result of his felony conviction, it is ordered that Kucsan be suspended from the practice of law effective September 6, 2010, pending final disposition of this proceeding. (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 6102.) It is also ordered that he comply with rule 9.20, California Rules of Court, and perform the acts specified in subdivisions (a) and (c) of that rule within 30 and 40 days, respectively, after the effective date of this suspension. Kucsan was also convicted of violating Penal Code section 653m (telephone calls with intent to annoy), a misdemeanor which may or may not involve moral turpitude.

As the judgment of conviction is final, this case is referred to the hearing department for a hearing and decision as to whether the facts and circumstances surrounding the violations of which Kucsan was convicted involved moral turpitude or other misconduct warranting discipline and if so found, the discipline to be imposed.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE [Rule 62(b), Rules Proc.; Code Civ. Proc., § 1013a(4)]

I am a Case Administrator of the State Bar Court. 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 August 13, 2010, I deposited a true copy of the following document(s):

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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:

MICHAEL S. KUCSAN 17271 BRONCO LN MORENO VALLEY, CA 92555

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

KRISTEN RITSEMA, Enforcement, Los Angeles

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on August 13, 2010.

Rosalie Ruiz Case Administrator State Bar Court