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REVIEW DEPARTMENT

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In the Matter of)	Case No. 10-C-03068
)	
SYLVIA PATRICIA COLON-VASQUEZ,)	RECOMMENDATION OF SUMMARY
)	DISBARMENT
A Member of the State Bar, No. 170766.)	
_____)	

On June 15, 2011 the State Bar filed a request for recommendation of summary disbarment based on Sylvia Patricia Colon-Vasquez's felony conviction. Colon-Vasquez did not file a response. We grant the request and recommend that Colon-Vasquez be summarily disbarred.

On March 30, 2011 the court found Colon-Vasquez guilty based on her nolo contendere plea to four felony counts of violating Penal Code section 487, subdivision (a) (grand theft). As a result of her conviction, we issued an order placing Colon-Vasquez on interim suspension effective June 3, 2011. On June 15, 2011, the State Bar transmitted evidence that Colon-Vasquez's conviction is final.

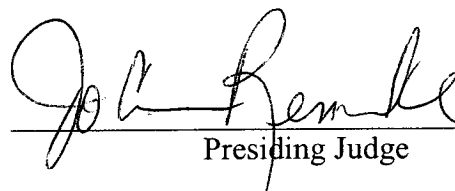
After the judgment of conviction becomes final, "the Supreme Court shall summarily disbar the attorney if the offense is a felony . . . and an element of the offense is the specific intent to deceive, defraud, steal, or make or suborn a false statement, or involved moral turpitude." (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 6102, subd. (c).) The record of conviction establishes that Colon-Vasquez's violations meet the criteria for summary disbarment under Business and



Professions Code section 6102, subdivision (c). First, her offenses are felonies. (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 6102, subd. (b).) Second, the offense of grand theft involves moral turpitude per se. (*In re Basinger* (1988) 45 Cal.3d 1348, 1358.)

When an attorney's conviction meets the requirements of Business and Professions Code section 6102, subdivision (c), "the attorney is not entitled to a State Bar Court hearing to determine whether lesser discipline is called for." (*In re Paguirigan* (2001) 25 Cal.4th 1, 7.) Disbarment is mandatory. (*Id.* at p. 9.)

We therefore recommend that Sylvia Patricia Colon-Vasquez, State Bar number 170766, be disbarred from the practice of law in this state. We also recommend that Colon-Vasquez be ordered to comply with rule 9.20 of the California Rules of Court and to perform the acts specified in subdivisions (a) and (c) of that rule within 30 and 40 days, respectively, after the effective date of the Supreme Court's order. Finally, we recommend that the costs be awarded to the State Bar in accordance with section 6086.10 of the Business and Professions Code and that such costs be enforceable both as provided in Business and Professions Code section 6140.7 and as a money judgment.



Presiding Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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

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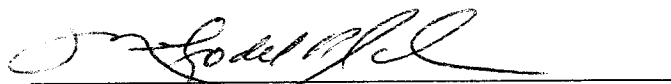
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I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on July 26, 2011.


Milagro del R. Salmeron
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