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In the Matter of RYAN CHRISTOPHER AULIS, A Member of the State Bar, No. 257276. Case No. 10-C-10266

RECOMMENDATION OF SUMMARY DISBARMENT

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

On February 1, 2011, Aulis pled guilty to a felony violation of Penal Code section 470, subdivision (d) (forgery).¹ Effective April 22, 2011, we placed Aulis on interim suspension. On June 15, 2011, the State Bar transmitted evidence that Aulis'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

¹ Aulis also pled guilty to a felony violation of Penal Code section 532, subdivision (a) (obtain property, labor or services under false pretense). However, in recommending that Aulis be summarily disbarred, we solely rely on his felony forgery conviction.



Aulis's conviction meets the criteria for summary disbarment under Business and Professions Code section 6102, subdivision (c).

Aulis pled guilty to a felony, which satisfies the first element of the summary disbarment provision. As for the second element, Aulis's forgery offense requires evidence of the intent to defraud. (Pen. Code, § 470, subd. (d).) Crimes involving the intent to defraud involve moral turpitude per se. (*In re Kelley* (1990) 52 Cal.3d 487, 494; see also *In re Prantil* (1989) 48 Cal.3d 227, 234 [crime of forgery is a serious one involving moral turpitude].)

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 Ryan Christopher Aulis, State Bar number 257276, be disbarred from the practice of law in this state. We also recommend that he 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.

HOL Kmll Presiding Judge

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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 July 27, 2011, I deposited a true copy of the following document(s):

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Murray B. Greenberg, Enforcement, Los Angeles

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on July 27, 2011.

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