

STATE BAR COURT OF CALIFORNIA

HEARING DEPARTMENT – LOS ANGELES

In the Matter of NICOLE ROSIE GALLEGOS, Member No. 231744, A Member of the State Bar. Case No.: 10-O-06856-PEM

ORDERS:

(1) GRANTING MOTION TO SET ASIDE DEFAULT; and
(2) VACATING SUBMISSION ORDER

On June 25, 2012, respondent Nicole Rosie Gallegos, represented by attorney Paul J.

Virgo, filed a motion to set aside her default entered on November 17, 2011.

On June 26, 2012, deputy trial counsel Jessica A. Lienau of the Office of the Chief Trial Counsel of the State Bar, filed an opposition.

The court finds respondent's late filing is excused by compelling circumstances beyond her control in that she has serious mental difficulties. (Rules Proc. of State Bar, rule 5.83(D)(3).)

While respondent clearly had defaulted in this matter, it is the policy of the court to favor, whenever possible, disposition on the merits. (*In the Matter of Navarro* (Review Dept. 1990) 1 Cal. State Bar Ct. Rptr. 192, 198.)

Therefore, having considered the parties' contentions, in the interest of justice, and good cause appearing, the court **ORDERS** as follows:



- 1. The motion to set aside respondent's default entered on November 17, 2011, is hereby GRANTED;
- 2. Respondent's response to the NDC, filed with the motion, is deemed filed and served as of the date this order is filed;
- Respondent's inactive enrollment, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 6007, subdivision (e), is terminated upon the filing of this order;
- 4. The order submitting default matter for decision filed June 19, 2012, is VACATED; and
- 5. The parties must appear at a telephonic status conference set for July 23, 2012, at 10:00 a.m.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

PAT McELROY

PAT MCELROY Judge of the State Bar Court

Dated: July <u>10</u>, 2012

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

[Rules Proc. of State Bar; Rule 5.27(B); 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 San Francisco, on July 10, 2012, I deposited a true copy of the following document(s):

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I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in San Francisco, California, on July 10, 2012.

George

Case Administrator State Bar Court