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REVIEW DEPARTMENT - IN BANK

In the Matter of)	Case No. 11-C-16339
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ROBERT ANDREW HUFF,)	ORDER
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A Member of the State Bar, No. 182935.)	
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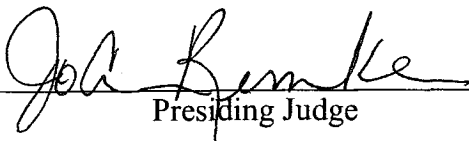
On October 13, 2011, the State Bar filed a motion for summary disbarment based on respondent Robert Andrew Huff's felony violation of Title 21 United States Code sections 846 and 841(a)(1) & (b)(1)(A) (conspiracy to distribute 1,000 kilograms or more of marijuana). Huff did not file a response.

We find that Huff's violation does not involve moral turpitude as a matter of law, but may involve moral turpitude or other misconduct warranting discipline based on the facts and circumstances surrounding the conviction. (*In re Possino* (1984) 37 Cal.3d 163, 168, fn. 3 [Health & Saf. Code, § 11360 (offering to sell marijuana) does not involve moral turpitude as a matter of law but facts justified finding of moral turpitude based on attorney's role as a principal, motive of financial gain, and awareness of illegality of actions]; *In re Kreamer* (1975) 14 Cal.3d 524, 530 [21 U.S.C., § 846 (conspiracy of possession of marijuana with intent to distribute) does not involve moral turpitude as matter of law]; *In re Higbie* (1972) 6 Cal.3d 562, 571 [marijuana crimes "treated differently from other drugs"].) Accordingly, because the elements for summary disbarment are not satisfied, we deny the State Bar's motion for summary disbarment. (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 6102, subd. (c).)



Based on the felony conviction, it is ordered pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 6102 that Huff be suspended from the practice of law effective December 19, 2011, pending final disposition of this proceeding. (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 9.10(a).) It is further ordered that Huff comply with California Rules of Court, rule 9.20, 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.

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 Huff was convicted involved moral turpitude or other misconduct warranting discipline, and if so found, the discipline to be imposed.



Presiding Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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

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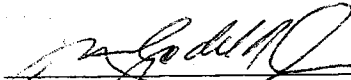
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