

STATE BAR COURT OF CALIFORNIA REVIEW DEPARTMENT

IN BANK

In the Matter of)	Case No. 11-C-19651
SAMUEL S. PRENDEZ, JR., A Member of the State Bar, No. 249192.)	ORDER
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Since respondent Samuel S. Prendez, Jr., State Bar Number 249192, has been convicted of violating Penal Code section 597, subdivision (a) (animal cruelty), a felony, it is ordered pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 6102 that respondent be suspended from the practice of law effective April 1, 2012, pending final disposition of this proceeding. (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 9.10(a).) It is further ordered that respondent 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.

The review department reserves the moral character classification of this crime and Prendez's misdemeanor violation of Penal Code section 596 (poisoning animals). The parties are invited to file briefs within 20 days of the date of service of this order addressing the issue of whether or not a violation of these sections involves moral turpitude per se.

Presiding Judge



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. 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 March 1, 2012, I deposited a true copy of the following document(s):

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

DONALD R. STEEDMAN, Enforcement, San Francisco

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on March 1, 2012.

Rosalie Ruiz

Case Administrator

State Bar Court