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REVIEW DEPARTMENT

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| In the Matter of |) | Case No. 10-C-06808, 11-C-14962, 13-C-11542 ¹ |
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| JAMES HARVEY TIPLER, |) | ORDER |
| A Member of the State Bar, No. 80748. |) | |

We have received evidence that respondent James Harvey Tipler has been convicted of the following:

- 1. Case number 10-C-06808: Florida Statutes section 895.03(3) (racketeering involving Fla. Stats. 812.014(1)(a) and (b) [theft] and 440.105(4)(a)(3) [failure to secure worker's compensation coverage], and 18 U.S.C. sections 1341 [mail fraud], 1343 [wire fraud], and 1546 [visa fraud]), a felony;
- 2. Case number 11-C-14962: Florida Statutes section 454.31 (unauthorized practice of law), a felony; and
- 3. Case number 13-C-11542: Florida Statutes sections 777.04(2), 777.04(4), 782.04(1), and 777.011 (solicitation to commit first degree premeditated murder), a felony.

We find that Tipler's felony conviction for solicitation to commit first degree premeditated murder is an offense involving moral turpitude. ² It is ordered pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 6102 that he be suspended from the practice of law effective

¹ These cases have not been consolidated.

² Although the State Bar asserts that all three of Tipler's offenses are felonies involving moral turpitude for purposes of California discipline, it offered insufficient authority and analysis for its assertions. We reserve the moral character classification of Florida Statutes sections 454.31 and 895.03(3).

November 25, 2013, pending final disposition of the proceedings in case number 13-C-11542. (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 9.10(a).) It is further ordered that Tipler 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.

We will take no further action at this time pending the submission of evidence that the convictions are final or Tipler waives finality pursuant to rule 5.344(B) of the Rules of Procedure of the State Bar.

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 October 17, 2013, I deposited a true copy of the following document(s):

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[X] by first-class mail, with postage thereon fully prepaid, through the United States Postal Service at Los Angeles, California, addressed as follows:

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

CHARLES A. MURRAY, Enforcement, Los Angeles

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on October 17, 2013.

Jasmine Guladzhyar Case Administrator

State Bar Court