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**STATE BAR COURT OF CALIFORNIA**

**HEARING DEPARTMENT - LOS ANGELES**

In the Matter of	)	Case No.: 14-C-04110-CV
	)	
PAUL D. STOCKLER,	)	ORDER VACATING SUBMISSION;
	)	ORDER VACATING DEFAULT AND
State Bar No. 171401.	)	TERMINATING INVOLUNTARY
	)	INACTIVE ENROLLMENT; AND
	)	SETTING CASE FOR STATUS
	)	CONFERENCE

When respondent Paul D. Stockler (Respondent) failed to file a response to the notice of hearing on conviction in this matter, the Office of Chief Trial Counsel of the State Bar of California (OCTC) submitted a motion for the entry of his default. Respondent's default was thereafter entered on August 10, 2018. On January 4, 2019, the OCTC filed a petition seeking Respondent's disbarment. The court submitted this matter for decision on January 31, 2019.

On March 11, 2019, Respondent appeared by telephone for an in-person status conference. Respondent established that his official State Bar attorney record mailing and e-mail addresses were not updated and that he has been held in federal custody throughout these proceedings. The court ordered Respondent to update his official State Bar attorney record.

In light of the strong public policy favoring the resolution of matters on their merits,<sup>1</sup> and in an effort to insure that all due process concerns have been satisfied, the court issues the

<sup>1</sup> See *In the Matter of Morone* (Review Dept. 1990) 1 Cal. State Bar Ct. Rptr. 207, 214-215.



following orders:

1. The August 10, 2018 order entering Respondent's default and enrolling him inactive under Business and Professions Code section 6007, subdivision (e), is hereby **TERMINATED FORTHWITH** upon the filing of this order;<sup>2</sup>

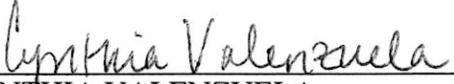
2. The OCTC's petition for disbarment filed on January 4, 2019, is **DENIED**, as the court is vacating the order entering Respondent's default in this matter;

3. The January 31, 2019 order submitting this matter for decision is hereby **VACATED**; and

4. The parties must appear at a telephonic status conference on April 29, 2019, at 10:45 a.m.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated: April 2, 2019

  
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CYNTHIA VALENZUELA  
Judge of the State Bar Court

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<sup>2</sup> Of course, this order does not affect Respondent's ineligibility to practice law that has resulted or that may hereafter result from any other cause.

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

[Rules Proc. of State Bar; Rule 5.27(B); Code Civ. Proc., § 1013a(4)]

I am a Court Specialist 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 April 2, 2019, I deposited a true copy of the following document(s):

**ORDER VACATING SUBMISSION; ORDER VACATING DEFAULT AND TERMINATING INVOLUNTARY INACTIVE ENROLLMENT; AND SETTING CASE FOR STATUS CONFERENCE**

in a sealed envelope for collection and mailing on that date as follows:

- 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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1084 Potlatch Cir  
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- by interoffice mail through a facility regularly maintained by the State Bar of California addressed as follows:

David Aigboboh, Enforcement, Los Angeles

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on April 2, 2019.

  
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Paul Songco  
Court Specialist  
State Bar Court