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REVIEW DEPARTMENT

IN BANK

In the Matter of)	Case No. 14-C-05268
)	
GREGORY L. BONZER,)	RECOMMENDATION OF
)	SUMMARY DISBARMENT
A Member of the State Bar, No. 237096.)	
_____)	

On November 2, 2015, the Office of the Chief Trial Counsel of the State Bar (OCTC) filed a Motion for Summary Disbarment based on Gregory L. Bonzer's felony conviction. Bonzer did not respond. We grant the motion and recommend that Bonzer be summarily disbarred.

On February 27, 2014, Bonzer pled nolo contendere to violating Penal Code section 487, subdivision (a) (grand theft of personal property). He was sentenced on August 1, 2014. On November 2, 2015, OCTC transmitted evidence of the finality of his conviction and requested Bonzer's summary disbarment. On December 1, 2015, we placed Bonzer on interim suspension, effective December 21, 2015.

After the judgment of conviction becomes final, "the Supreme Court shall summarily disbar the attorney if the offense is a felony . . . and an element of the offense is the specific intent to deceive, defraud, steal, or make or suborn a false statement, or involved moral turpitude." (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 6102, subd. (c).) The record of conviction establishes both criteria for summary disbarment.

First, Bonzer's offense is a felony. (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 6102, subd. (b); Penal Code, §§ 17, 489, 1170, subd. (h).) Second, the crime of grand theft of personal property involves moral turpitude. (*In re Basinger* (1988) 45 Cal.3d 1348, 1358 [grand theft necessarily involves moral turpitude]; see also *In re Paguirigan* (2001) 25 Cal.4th 1, 5 [crimes of robbery, embezzlement, and other forms of theft necessarily involve moral turpitude].)

When an attorney's conviction meets the requirements of Business and Professions Code section 6102, subdivision (c), "the attorney is not entitled to a State Bar Court hearing to determine whether lesser discipline is called for." (*In re Paguirigan, supra*, 25 Cal.4th at p. 7.) Disbarment is mandatory. (*Id.* at p. 9.)

We therefore recommend that Gregory L. Bonzer, State Bar number 237096, be disbarred from the practice of law in this state. We also recommend that he be ordered to comply with California Rules of Court, rule 9.20 and to perform the acts specified in subdivisions (a) and (c) of that rule within 30 and 40 days, respectively, after the effective date of the Supreme Court's order. Finally, we recommend that the costs be awarded to the State Bar in accordance with section 6086.10 of the Business and Professions Code and that such costs be enforceable both as provided in Business and Professions Code section 6140.7 and as a money judgment.

PURCELL

Presiding Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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

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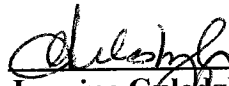
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I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on December 15, 2015.



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