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In the Matter of)	Case No. 14-C-04762
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JOSEPH LAMON WRIGHT,)	ORDER
)	
A Member of the State Bar, No. 239838.)	
_____)	

Respondent Joseph Lamon Wright has been convicted of a felony violation of Vehicle Code section 23152, subdivision (b) (driving under the influence). On September 3, 2015, we referred this above-entitled matter to the Hearing Department for a hearing and a decision recommending discipline. Though respondent has been convicted of a felony, we neglected to suspend respondent from the practice of law pending final disposition of this proceeding. (Bus. & Prof. Code § 6102, subd. (a); Cal. Rules of Court, rule 9.10(a).)

On December 11, 2015, the Office of the Chief Trial Counsel of the State Bar (OCTC) filed a request to place respondent on interim suspension. Respondent filed a response, opposing the request and arguing that respondent should not be placed on interim suspension "in the interest of justice," citing to Business and Professions Code section 6102, subdivision (a).

OCTC's request is granted. We order, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 6102, that respondent be suspended from the practice of law effective February 2, 2016, 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.

In ruling, we do not consider the merits of respondent's argument under Business and Professions Code section 6102, subdivision (a) because OCTC has not had an opportunity to respond. We therefore grant OCTC's request without prejudice to respondent bringing a motion for relief to delay or stay interim suspension. (Bus. & Prof. Code § 6102, subd. (a); Cal. Rules of Court, rule 9.10(a); Rules of Proc, of State Bar, rules 5.162, 5.342(D).)

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Presiding Judge

* The interim suspension order does not pertain to respondent's other pending cases. (Case nos. 14-C-04760, 14-C-04761, and 14-C-04763.)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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

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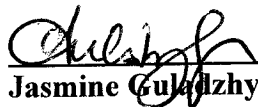
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I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on January 8, 2016.



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State Bar Court