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In the Matter of)	Case No. 14-C-06203
)	
TATIANA KATERINA LINTON,)	RECOMMENDATION OF
)	SUMMARY DISBARMENT
A Member of the State Bar, No. 166615.)	
_____)	

On December 17, 2015, the Office of the Chief Trial Counsel of the State Bar (OCTC) filed a Motion for Summary Disbarment based on Tatiana Katerina Linton's felony conviction. Linton did not respond. We grant the motion and recommend that Linton be summarily disbarred.

On December 8, 2014, Linton pled nolo contendere to violating Penal Code section 475, subdivision (c) (forgery). On April 8, 2015, we placed Linton on interim suspension, effective April 29, 2015. She was sentenced on September 11, 2015. On December 17, 2015, OCTC transmitted evidence of the finality of her conviction and requested Linton's summary disbarment.

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, Linton's offense is a felony. (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 6102, subd. (b); Penal Code, §§ 17, 470, 475, 1170, subd. (h).) Second, the crime of forgery involves moral turpitude. (*In re Paguirigan* (2001) 25 Cal.4th 1 [summary disbarment for forgery conviction]; *In re Johnson* (1992) 1 Cal.4th 689, 700, fn. 6 [forgery is an offense involving moral turpitude]; *Stanley v. State Bar* (1990) 50 Cal.3d 555, 560-562 [check fraud involves 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 Tatiana Katerina Linton, State Bar number 166615, be disbarred from the practice of law in this state. We also recommend that she 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)]

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 January 21, 2016, I deposited a true copy of the following document(s):

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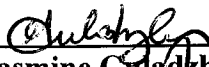
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I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on January 21, 2016.



Jasmine Guladzhyan
Case Administrator
State Bar Court