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In the Matter of WALTER DAMIAN RICKERT, A Member of the State Bar, No. 169968. Case No. 16-O-10778-MC ORDER RE RESPONDENT'S

MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM OR EXTENSION OF TIME TO COMPLY WITH ORDER ASSESSING COSTS

On November 27, 2018, respondent Walter Damian Rickert (Respondent) sought relief from or an extension of time to comply with the order assessing disciplinary costs in State Bar Court case No. 16-O-10778. (Rules Proc. of State Bar, rule 5.130.) Respondent's motion was based on financial hardship. (See Rules Proc. of State Bar, rule 5.130(B).) On December 12, 2018, the Office of Chief Trial Counsel of the State Bar of California (OCTC) filed a response indicating that it opposed any waiver of the assessed costs but did not oppose an extension of time for Respondent to pay costs.

After reviewing the parties' pleadings, the court issues the following orders:

1. Respondent's motion for relief from payment of disciplinary costs is **DENIED**, no good cause having been shown.

2. Good cause having been shown, the court **GRANTS** an extension of time for Respondent to comply with the order to pay disciplinary costs. The court orders that Respondent's time to pay the remaining disciplinary costs associated with case No. 16-O-10778 be extended and that one-third of said costs is to be paid with Respondent's annual State Bar membership fees for the years 2020, 2021, and 2022. The court further **ORDERS** that if Respondent fails to pay any installment of disciplinary costs within the time provided herein or as may be modified by the State Bar Court pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 6086.10, subdivision (c), the remaining balance of the costs is due and payable immediately unless relief has been granted under the Rules of Procedure of the State Bar of California (Rules Proc. of State Bar, rule 5.134). The payment of costs remains enforceable both as provided in Business and Professions Code section 6140.7 and as a money judgment.

#### **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

### **MANJARI CHAWLA**

Dated: January <u>2</u>, 2019

MANJARI CHAWLA Judge of the State Bar Court

#### **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 San Francisco, on January 2, 2019, I deposited a true copy of the following document(s):

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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 San Francisco, California, addressed as follows:

WALTER D. RICKERT 109 JACKSON ST # 230 HAYWARD, CA 94544

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

Jennifer E. Roque, Enforcement, San Francisco

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in San Francisco, California, on January 2, 2019.

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