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REVIEW DEPARTMENT

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In the Matter of

DAVID JOHN LONICH,

A Member of the State Bar, No. 88784.

Case No. 17-C-06239

ORDER

Since respondent David John Lonich, State Bar Number 88784, has been convicted of violating 18 United States Code sections 371 (conspiracy to commit bank fraud) (one count); 1344 and 2 (bank fraud) (one count); 1349 (conspiracy to commit wire fraud) (one count); 1343 and 2 (wire fraud) (five counts); 1005 and 2 (false bank entries) (5 counts); and 1512(c) and 2 (attempted obstruction of justice) (one count), felonies that involve moral turpitude, it is ordered pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 6102, that respondent be suspended from the practice of law effective March 12, 2018, 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 its January 25, 2018, Transmittal of Records of Conviction of Attorney, the Office of the Chief Trial Counsel of the State Bar (OCTC) submitted that the criminal convictions listed above involved moral turpitude, which is consistent with our previous classification of these crimes. However, OCTC submitted that a violation of 18 United States Code sections 1957 and 2 is a felony that may or may not involve moral turpitude as a matter of law. We have previously classified this crime as a felony involving moral turpitude per se. (*In the Matter of Kiet*, Case No. 12-C-16837.) Within 10 days of the date of this order, OCTC is ordered to provide further analysis and legal support regarding its contention that respondent's criminal conviction may or may not involve moral turpitude.

Respondent will have 10 days from the service of OCTC's filing to respond.

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Presiding Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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

I am An Administrative Assistant 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 February 15, 2018, I deposited a true copy of the following document:

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

Kevin B. Taylor, Enforcement, San Francisco

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on February 15, 2018.

Dina Outlaw Administrative Assistant State Bar Court