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In the Matter of:

Case No(s): 09-C-19063

LEONARD JULIUS SAWYER

Member No.: 259068

A Member of the State Bar

On May 8, 2012, Respondent filed a motion seeking: (1) relief from his court-ordered obligation to present proof of passage of the MPRE or, in the alternative, an extension of the deadline to present that proof; and (2) relief from his court-ordered obligation to pay costs as a result of his prior discipline, or, in the alternative, an extension of the deadline to pay those costs. On May 10, 2012, the State Bar filed a response to motion, opposing the requested cost relief.

GOOD CAUSE APPEARING and pursuant to rule 9.10(b) of the California Rules of Court, the court GRANTS Respondent's motion to extend the time during which he may present proof of passage of the MPRE. Accordingly, the time in which Respondent must present proof to the Office of Probation of his passage of the MPRE is extended until ten (10) calendar days after the results of the November 3, 2012 MPRE are released. To the extent that Respondent has requested complete relief from his obligation to take and pass the MPRE, that request is DENIED.

With regard to the request for relief regarding costs, GOOD CAUSE has been shown for extending the time for Respondent to pay costs. Accordingly, the costs that remain outstanding will now be paid in equal installments over the two billing cycles beginning in 2013. More specifically, one-half of the disciplinary costs must be paid prior to February 1, 2013; the remainder of the costs must be paid prior to February 1, 2014. If Respondent fails to pay either of the above installment payments more than 10 days after its due date without the prior written approval of the State Bar or a further order of this court, the remaining unpaid balance of the costs will be due immediately and be enforceable both as provided in Business and Professions Code section 6140.7 and as a money judgment. To the extent that Respondent has requested complete relief from his obligation to pay costs, that request is DENIED.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: May 15, 2012

DONALD F. MILES
Judge of the State Bar Court

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## **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 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 May 15, 2012, I deposited a true copy of the following document(s):

## ORDER EXTENDING TIME TO PASS MPRE AND TO PAY COSTS

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 Los Angeles, California, addressed as follows:

LEONARD J. SAWYER LEONARD SAWYER 1055 E OCEAN BLVD APT H LONG BEACH, CA 90802

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

DANE DAUPHINE, Enforcement, Los Angeles

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on May 15, 2012.

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Case Administrator State Bar Court