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**REVIEW DEPARTMENT**

**IN BANK**

In the Matter of	)	Case No. 16-C-13639
	)	
RONALD JACK MIX,	)	RECOMMENDATION OF SUMMARY
	)	DISBARMENT
A Member of the State Bar, No. 49663.	)	
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On July 31, 2018, the Office of the Chief Trial Counsel of the State Bar (OCTC) filed a request for summary disbarment based on Ronald Jack Mix’s felony conviction. Mix did not respond. We grant the request and recommend that Mix be summarily disbarred.

On May 23, 2016, Mix pled guilty to one count of violating title 26 United States Code section 7206(1) (filing a false income tax return). OCTC transmitted evidence of Mix’s conviction on August 3, 2016. On September 1, 2016, we ordered that Mix be placed on interim suspension, effective September 26, 2016, pending the final disposition of his proceeding.

On April 23, 2018, judgment and commitment to custody were entered as to Mix. On July 31, 2018, OCTC transmitted evidence that Mix did not file a timely notice of appeal within the statutory period following the entry of judgment. Therefore, the conviction is final. (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 9.10(a).)

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, Mix’s offense is a felony. (18 U.S.C. §§ 3559(a) [classifying offenses based on sentencing ranges]; 26 U.S.C. § 7206(1) [false declaration under penalty of perjury on a tax return is a felony and is punishable with either a fine, imprisonment up to 3 years, or both].)

Second, Mix’s conviction involves moral turpitude as a matter of law. A conviction under 26 U.S.C. § 7206(1) requires proof that a defendant willfully and knowingly filed a materially false return under penalty of perjury with the intent to violate the law. (*United States v. Hanson* (9th Cir. 1993) 2 F.3d 942, 945.) Intentionally making such false statements necessarily involves moral turpitude. (*In the Matter of Moriarty* (Review Dept. 1990) 1 Cal. State Bar Ct. Rptr. 245, 248 [filing false tax return classified as crime of moral turpitude prior to referral]; see also *In re Kristovich* (1976) 18 Cal.3d 468, 472 [knowingly and willfully making a material false statement contrary to oath involves moral turpitude].) Accordingly, Mix’s conviction qualifies him for summary disbarment.

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* (2001) 25 Cal.4th 1, 7.) Disbarment is mandatory. (*Id.* at p. 9.)

We therefore recommend that Ronald Jack Mix, State Bar number 49663, be disbarred from the practice of law in this state. We also recommend that he 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 costs be awarded to the State Bar in accordance with

Business and Professions Code section 6086.10, and that such costs be enforceable both as provided in Business and Professions Code section 6140.7 and as a money judgment.

**PURCELL**

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Presiding Judge

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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

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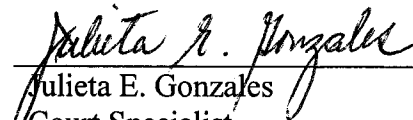
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