

<p>STATE BAR COURT OF CALIFORNIA</p> <p>HEARING DEPARTMENT</p> <p>1149 S. Hill St., 5th Fl., Los Angeles, CA 90015</p>	<p>FOR CLERK'S USE ONLY:</p> <p>FILED</p> <p>JUL 02 2013</p> <p>STATE BAR COURT CLERK'S OFFICE LOS ANGELES</p> 
<p>In the Matter of:</p> <p>JOEL LESLIE Member No.: 162475</p> <p>A Member of the State Bar</p>	<p>Case No(s): 06-O-15136</p> <p>ORDER GRANTING COST RELIEF</p>

On June 7, 2013, Respondent filed a motion seeking relief from his obligation to pay costs in the above matter. This court had previously created an installment payment schedule with regard to those costs, requiring Respondent to pay \$250 each quarter toward those costs. Respondent made the first required payment, but was unable to pay the second.

On June 24, 2013, the State Bar filed a response to the motion, opposing the granting of any indefinite postponement of Respondent's obligation to pay costs, but stating that an extension of the installment plan until 2014 would be acceptable.

Respondent remains obligated to pay nearly \$11,000 of costs. At \$250 a quarter, it will take him approximately 11 years to pay the costs in full, assuming that his finances improve sufficiently to allow him to make any payments at all. His health and current level of income raise serious issues about the certainty of that happening. Given these factors, the State Bar Board has recently waived Respondent's obligation to pay fees for the current year.

This court agrees that Respondent's obligation to pay costs this year should be extinguished. Rather than merely push back the obligation to pay those costs for another year, however, this court finds good cause to follow the lead of the State Bar Board and waive completely Respondent's obligation to pay the costs for one year.

Accordingly, except as modified herein below, it is ordered that the quarterly installment plan set forth in this court's prior order will remain in place. Respondent must pay a minimum of \$250.00 per calendar quarter until the entire amount of costs is paid. These quarterly installment payments are due no later than the 10th day of each January, April, July, and October.

That installment plan is modified, however, in the following respect:

Respondent's obligation to make the quarterly payments due on the 10th day of April, July, and October of 2013 and January of 2014 are hereby waived and Respondent is to be given credit toward the balance of the costs then due as though he had made those payments. Put in other words, relief is hereby granted toward his obligation to pay the outstanding costs by reducing the amount of those costs by \$1,000.



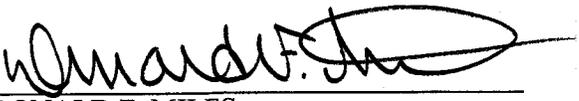
Respondent's next installment payment will be due on or before the 10th day of April, 2014.

If Respondent fails to pay any installment payment more than 10 days after its due date without the *prior written approval* of the State Bar's Office of Probation or a further order of this court, the remaining unpaid balance of the costs is due immediately and is enforceable both as provided in Business and Professions Code section 6140.7 and as a money judgment.

This court does not view it necessary to grant Respondent complete relief from the prior award of costs or to extend indefinitely his obligation to pay those costs. To the extent Respondent's motion seeks such relief, the motion is DENIED

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: July 2, 2013



DONALD F. MILES
Judge of the State Bar Court

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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

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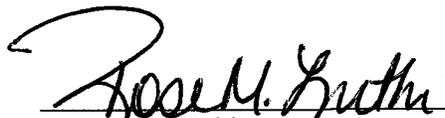
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- by interoffice mail through a facility regularly maintained by the State Bar of California addressed as follows:

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I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on July 2, 2013.



Rose M. Luthi
Case Administrator
State Bar Court