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State Bar Court of California Hearing Department Los Angeles STAYED SUSPENSION		
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In Pro Per Respondent Steven C. Feldman 30100 Town Center Drive, #196 Laguna Niguel, CA 92677 Bar # 103676	<p>PUBLIC MATTER</p>	
In the Matter of: STEVEN CRAIG FELDMAN Bar # 103676 A Member of the State Bar of California (Respondent)	Submitted to: Assigned Judge STIPULATION RE FACTS, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND DISPOSITION AND ORDER APPROVING STAYED SUSPENSION; NO ACTUAL SUSPENSION <input type="checkbox"/> PREVIOUS STIPULATION REJECTED	

Note: All information required by this form and any additional information which cannot be provided in the space provided, must be set forth in an attachment to this stipulation under specific headings, e.g., "Facts," "Dismissals," "Conclusions of Law," "Supporting Authority," etc.

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A. Parties' Acknowledgments:

- (1) Respondent is a member of the State Bar of California, admitted May 7, 1982.
- (2) The parties agree to be bound by the factual stipulations contained herein even if conclusions of law or disposition are rejected or changed by the Supreme Court.
- (3) All investigations or proceedings listed by case number in the caption of this stipulation are entirely resolved by this stipulation and are deemed consolidated. Dismissed charge(s)/count(s) are listed under "Dismissals." The stipulation consists of 15 pages, not including the order.
- (4) A statement of acts or omissions acknowledged by Respondent as cause or causes for discipline is included under "Facts."

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- (5) Conclusions of law, drawn from and specifically referring to the facts are also included under "Conclusions of Law".
- (6) The parties must include supporting authority for the recommended level of discipline under the heading "Supporting Authority."
- (7) No more than 30 days prior to the filing of this stipulation, Respondent has been advised in writing of any pending investigation/proceeding not resolved by this stipulation, except for criminal investigations.
- (8) Payment of Disciplinary Costs—Respondent acknowledges the provisions of Bus. & Prof. Code §§6086.10 & 6140.7. (Check one option only):
- Costs are added to membership fee for calendar year following effective date of discipline.
 - Costs are to be paid in equal amounts prior to February 1 for the following membership years: three billing cycles following the effective date of discipline. (Hardship, special circumstances or other good cause per rule 5.132, Rules of Procedure). If Respondent fails to pay any installment as described above, or as may be modified by the State Bar Court, the remaining balance is due and payable immediately.
 - Costs are waived in part as set forth in a separate attachment entitled "Partial Waiver of Costs".
 - Costs are entirely waived.

B. Aggravating Circumstances [for definition, see Standards for Attorney Sanctions for Professional Misconduct, standard 1.2(b)]. Facts supporting aggravating circumstances are required.

- (1) **Prior record of discipline** [see standard 1.2(f)]
- (a) State Bar Court case # of prior case 10-O-00157, et al. See Attachment, page 11.
 - (b) Date prior discipline effective March 29, 2014.
 - (c) Rules of Professional Conduct/ State Bar Act violations: Rule 1-300(B) (unauthorized practice of law in another jurisdiction: three counts), Rule 4-200(A) (Illegal fee: three counts), section 6106.3 (advanced fee for loan modification: six counts)
 - (d) Degree of prior discipline One year of stayed suspension, two years of probation, 60 days actual suspension and until full restitution is paid.
 - (e) If Respondent has two or more incidents of prior discipline, use space provided below or a separate attachment entitled "Prior Discipline."
- (2) **Dishonesty:** Respondent's misconduct was surrounded by or followed by bad faith, dishonesty, concealment, overreaching or other violations of the State Bar Act or Rules of Professional Conduct.
- (3) **Trust Violation:** Trust funds or property were involved and Respondent refused or was unable to account to the client or person who was the object of the misconduct for improper conduct toward said funds or property.
- (4) **Harm:** Respondent's misconduct harmed significantly a client, the public or the administration of justice.
- (5) **Indifference:** Respondent demonstrated indifference toward rectification of or atonement for the consequences of his or her misconduct.

- (6) **Lack of Cooperation:** Respondent displayed a lack of candor and cooperation to victims of his/her misconduct or to the State Bar during disciplinary investigation or proceedings.
- (7) **Multiple/Pattern of Misconduct:** Respondent's current misconduct evidences multiple acts of wrongdoing or demonstrates a pattern of misconduct. See Attachment, page 11.
- (8) **No aggravating circumstances** are involved.

Additional aggravating circumstances

Failure to make restitution. See Attachment, page 11.

C. Mitigating Circumstances [see standard 1.2(e)]. Facts supporting mitigating circumstances are required.

- (1) **No Prior Discipline:** Respondent has no prior record of discipline over many years of practice coupled with present misconduct which is not deemed serious.
- (2) **No Harm:** Respondent did not harm the client or person who was the object of the misconduct.
- (3) **Candor/Cooperation:** Respondent displayed spontaneous candor and cooperation with the victims of his/her misconduct and to the State Bar during disciplinary investigation and proceedings.
- (4) **Remorse:** Respondent promptly took objective steps spontaneously demonstrating remorse and recognition of the wrongdoing, which steps were designed to timely atone for any consequences of his/her misconduct.
- (5) **Restitution:** Respondent paid \$ _____ on _____ in restitution to _____ without the threat or force of disciplinary, civil or criminal proceedings.
- (6) **Delay:** These disciplinary proceedings were excessively delayed. The delay is not attributable to Respondent and the delay prejudiced him/her.
- (7) **Good Faith:** Respondent acted in good faith. See Attachment, pages 11-12.
- (8) **Emotional/Physical Difficulties:** At the time of the stipulated act or acts of professional misconduct Respondent suffered extreme emotional difficulties or physical disabilities which expert testimony would establish was directly responsible for the misconduct. The difficulties or disabilities were not the product of any illegal conduct by the member, such as illegal drug or substance abuse, and Respondent no longer suffers from such difficulties or disabilities.
- (9) **Severe Financial Stress:** At the time of the misconduct, Respondent suffered from severe financial stress which resulted from circumstances not reasonably foreseeable or which were beyond his/her control and which were directly responsible for the misconduct.
- (10) **Family Problems:** At the time of the misconduct, Respondent suffered extreme difficulties in his/her personal life which were other than emotional or physical in nature.
- (11) **Good Character:** Respondent's good character is attested to by a wide range of references in the legal and general communities who are aware of the full extent of his/her misconduct. See Attachment, page 12.

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- (12) **Rehabilitation:** Considerable time has passed since the acts of professional misconduct occurred followed by convincing proof of subsequent rehabilitation.
- (13) **No mitigating circumstances** are involved.

Additional mitigating circumstances

Prefiling stipulation. See Attachment, page 12.

D. Discipline:

(1) **Stayed Suspension:**

- (a) Respondent must be suspended from the practice of law for a period of one year.
- i. and until Respondent shows proof satisfactory to the State Bar Court of rehabilitation and present fitness to practice and present learning and ability in the law pursuant to standard 1.4(c)(ii), Standards for Attorney Sanctions for Professional Misconduct.
- ii. and until Respondent pays restitution as set forth in the Financial Conditions form attached to this stipulation.
- iii. and until Respondent does the following:

The above-referenced suspension is stayed.

(2) **Probation:**

Respondent is placed on probation for a period of two years, which will commence upon the effective date of the Supreme Court order in this matter. (See rule 9.18 California Rules of Court.)

E. Additional Conditions of Probation:

- (1) During the probation period, Respondent must comply with the provisions of the State Bar Act and Rules of Professional Conduct.
- (2) Within ten (10) days of any change, Respondent must report to the Membership Records Office of the State Bar and to the Office of Probation of the State Bar of California ("Office of Probation"), all changes of information, including current office address and telephone number, or other address for State Bar purposes, as prescribed by section 6002.1 of the Business and Professions Code.
- (3) Within thirty (30) days from the effective date of discipline, Respondent must contact the Office of Probation and schedule a meeting with Respondent's assigned probation deputy to discuss these terms and conditions of probation. Upon the direction of the Office of Probation, Respondent must meet with the probation deputy either in-person or by telephone. During the period of probation, Respondent must promptly meet with the probation deputy as directed and upon request.
- (4) Respondent must submit written quarterly reports to the Office of Probation on each January 10, April 10, July 10, and October 10 of the period of probation. Under penalty of perjury, Respondent must state whether Respondent has complied with the State Bar Act, the Rules of Professional Conduct, and all conditions of probation during the preceding calendar quarter. Respondent must also state whether there are any proceedings pending against him or her in the State Bar Court and if so, the case number and current status of that proceeding. If the first report would cover less than 30 days, that report must be submitted on the next quarter date, and cover the extended period.

In addition to all quarterly reports, a final report, containing the same information, is due no earlier than twenty (20) days before the last day of the period of probation and no later than the last day of probation.

- (5) Respondent must be assigned a probation monitor. Respondent must promptly review the terms and conditions of probation with the probation monitor to establish a manner and schedule of compliance. During the period of probation, Respondent must furnish to the monitor such reports as may be requested, in addition to the quarterly reports required to be submitted to the Office of Probation. Respondent must cooperate fully with the probation monitor.

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- (6) Subject to assertion of applicable privileges, Respondent must answer fully, promptly and truthfully any inquiries of the Office of Probation and any probation monitor assigned under these conditions which are directed to Respondent personally or in writing relating to whether Respondent is complying or has complied with the probation conditions.
- (7) Within one (1) year of the effective date of the discipline herein, Respondent must provide to the Office of Probation satisfactory proof of attendance at a session of the State Bar Ethics School, and passage of the test given at the end of that session.
- No Ethics School recommended. Reason: On February 27, 2014, in Supreme Court Case No. S200196 (State Bar Court Case nos. 10-O-00157, et al.), Respondent was ordered to complete Ethics School within one year of the effective date of that order. (See rule 5.135(A), Rules Proc. of State Bar).
- (8) Respondent must comply with all conditions of probation imposed in the underlying criminal matter and must so declare under penalty of perjury in conjunction with any quarterly report to be filed with the Office of Probation.
- (9) The following conditions are attached hereto and incorporated:
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Substance Abuse Conditions | <input type="checkbox"/> Law Office Management Conditions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Conditions | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Financial Conditions |

F. Other Conditions Negotiated by the Parties:

- (1) **Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination:** Respondent must provide proof of passage of the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination ("MPRE"), administered by the National Conference of Bar Examiners, to the Office of Probation within one year. **Failure to pass the MPRE results in actual suspension without further hearing until passage. But see rule 9.10(b), California Rules of Court, and rule 5.162(A) & (E), Rules of Procedure.**
- No MPRE recommended. Reason: On February 27, 2014, in Supreme Court Case No. S200196 (State Bar Court Case nos. 10-O-00157, et al.), Respondent was ordered to pass the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination within one year of the effective date of that order. The protection of the public and the interests of Respondent therefor do not require passage of the MPRE in this matter. (See In the Matter of Respondent G. (Review Dept. 1992) 2 Cal.State Bar Ct. Rptr. 181).
- (2) **Other Conditions:**

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Financial Conditions

a. Restitution

- Respondent must pay restitution (including the principal amount, plus interest of 10% per annum) to the payee(s) listed below. If the Client Security Fund ("CSF") has reimbursed one or more of the payee(s) for all or any portion of the principal amount(s) listed below, Respondent must also pay restitution to CSF in the amount(s) paid, plus applicable interest and costs.

Payee	Principal Amount	Interest Accrues From
See page 9, "Restitution"		

- Respondent must pay above-referenced restitution and provide satisfactory proof of payment to the Office of Probation not later than **within 60 days of the effective date of the order of discipline herein.**

b. Installment Restitution Payments

- Respondent must pay the above-referenced restitution on the payment schedule set forth below. Respondent must provide satisfactory proof of payment to the Office of Probation with each quarterly probation report, or as otherwise directed by the Office of Probation. No later than 30 days prior to the expiration of the period of probation (or period of reprobation), Respondent must make any necessary final payment(s) in order to complete the payment of restitution, including interest, in full.

Payee/CSF (as applicable)	Minimum Payment Amount	Payment Frequency

- If Respondent fails to pay any installment as described above, or as may be modified by the State Bar Court, the remaining balance is due and payable immediately.

c. Client Funds Certificate

- 1. If Respondent possesses client funds at any time during the period covered by a required quarterly report, Respondent must file with each required report a certificate from Respondent and/or a certified public accountant or other financial professional approved by the Office of Probation, certifying that:
 - a. Respondent has maintained a bank account in a bank authorized to do business in the State of California, at a branch located within the State of California, and that such account is designated as a "Trust Account" or "Clients' Funds Account";

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- b. Respondent has kept and maintained the following:
 - i. A written ledger for each client on whose behalf funds are held that sets forth:
 1. the name of such client;
 2. the date, amount and source of all funds received on behalf of such client;
 3. the date, amount, payee and purpose of each disbursement made on behalf of such client; and,
 4. the current balance for such client.
 - ii. a written journal for each client trust fund account that sets forth:
 1. the name of such account;
 2. the date, amount and client affected by each debit and credit; and,
 3. the current balance in such account.
 - iii. all bank statements and cancelled checks for each client trust account; and,
 - iv. each monthly reconciliation (balancing) of (i), (ii), and (iii), above, and if there are any differences between the monthly total balances reflected in (i), (ii), and (iii), above, the reasons for the differences.
- c. Respondent has maintained a written journal of securities or other properties held for clients that specifies:
 - i. each item of security and property held;
 - ii. the person on whose behalf the security or property is held;
 - iii. the date of receipt of the security or property;
 - iv. the date of distribution of the security or property; and,
 - v. the person to whom the security or property was distributed.
2. If Respondent does not possess any client funds, property or securities during the entire period covered by a report, Respondent must so state under penalty of perjury in the report filed with the Office of Probation for that reporting period. In this circumstance, Respondent need not file the accountant's certificate described above.
3. The requirements of this condition are in addition to those set forth in rule 4-100, Rules of Professional Conduct.

d. Client Trust Accounting School

- Within one (1) year of the effective date of the discipline herein, Respondent must supply to the Office of Probation satisfactory proof of attendance at a session of the Ethics School Client Trust Accounting School, within the same period of time, and passage of the test given at the end of that session.

RESTITUTION.

Respondent must pay restitution (including the principal amount, plus interest of 10% per annum) to the payee(s) listed below, and provide satisfactory proof of payment to the Office of Probation, within 60 days of the effective date of the order of discipline herein. If the Client Security Fund ("CSF") has reimbursed one or more of the payee(s) for all or any portion of the principal amount(s) listed below, Respondent must also pay restitution to CSF in the amount(s) paid, plus applicable interest and costs.

Payee	Principal Amount (in Dollars)	Interest Accrues From
Emilio Suarez	2,900	10/30/09
Emilio Suarez	550	11/27/09
Emilio Suarez	200	1/16/10
Emilio Suarez	200	2/23/10
Emilio Suarez	200	4/8/10
Emilio Suarez	200	5/4/10
Emilio Suarez	200	6/1/10
Emilio Suarez	200	9/2/10
Emilio Suarez	400	10/13/10
Elaine Potts	2,000	12/9/09
Elaine Potts	700	4/9/10
Elaine Potts	750	5/24/10

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

5. By demanding, charging, collecting and receiving fees from Potts prior to fully performing each and every home mortgage loan modification service he had contracted to perform or represented that he would perform, in violation of subsection (a)(1) of Section 2944.7 of the Civil Code, Respondent willfully violated Business and Professions Code section 6106.3.

AGGRAVATING CIRCUMSTANCES.

Prior Record of Discipline (Std. 1.5(a)): On October 23, 2013, the Hearing Department of the State Bar Court issued a decision, after trial, finding Respondent culpable for misconduct in case nos. 10-O-00157, 10-O-01887, 10-O-04640, 10-O-04641, 10-O-04648, 10-O-04933, 10-O-06919, 12-O-12764, and 12-O-16854. In these consolidated matters, Respondent had committed six violations of Business and Professions Code section 6106.3 (charging and receiving advanced fees in exchange for agreeing to perform loan modification services in violation of California Civil Code section 2944.7(a)(1)), three counts of willful violations of Rules of Professional Conduct, rule 1-300(B) (practicing law in jurisdictions where he was not admitted to practice law, in violation of the regulations of the profession in those jurisdictions), and three counts of willful violations of Rules of Professional Conduct, rule 4-200(A) (entering into agreements for, charging, and collecting fees from residents of jurisdictions where he was not licensed to practice law). Respondent committed the misconduct in those nine matters between September 2008, and September 2010. On February 27, 2014, the California Supreme Court ordered that Respondent be suspended from the practice of law in California for one year, that execution of the suspension be stayed, and that he be placed on probation for two years, subject to the conditions that he make complete restitution to nine former clients, and that he be actually suspended for the first sixty days of probation and until he makes that restitution.

Multiple Acts of Misconduct (Std. 1.5(b)): Respondent charged and received advanced fees in violation of California Civil Code section 6106.3 from two clients, in the matters included in this stipulation.

Additional Aggravating Circumstances:

Failure to Make Restitution (Std. 1.5(i)): Respondent did not refund the illegal fees which he accepted from Suarez and Potts, his two clients.

MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCES.

Good Faith (Std. 1.6(b)): Respondent sought out the advice of experts in the area of home mortgage loan modification practice and employed them to prepare for him a formal opinion on the ethical issues presented, particularly on the appropriateness of “unbundling” the loan modification tasks so as to charge incremental fees prior to full completion of the loan modification. In the Decision finding Respondent culpable for his prior misconduct, the Hearing Department accorded some mitigation to Respondent for his efforts to determine whether his plan to separate his services into “phases” and to charge for each phase as it was completed, was permissible under the then-recently enacted statute. The State Bar Court found that that question was not answered by the court until 2012, by which time Respondent had stopped taking loan modification clients. Because the misconduct included in this stipulation was of the same nature as the misconduct for which discipline was recently imposed, and was committed in the same time frame as the prior misconduct, the mitigation accorded to Respondent in the prior matters applies here as well. (*In the Matter of Respondent P* (Review Dept.

1993) 2 Cal. State Bar Ct. Rptr. 622, 633 [an attorney found culpable for failure to comply with a statutory duty, who had an erroneous belief that he was in compliance, prior to the existence of judicial precedent interpreting that statute, is entitled to mitigation for good faith].)

Good Character (Std. 1.6(f)): In its Decision finding Respondent culpable for his prior misconduct, the Court accorded mitigation to Respondent for his good character as attested to by a wide range of references in the general and legal communities who were aware of the full extent of Respondent's misconduct. Because the misconduct included in this stipulation was of the same nature as the misconduct for which discipline was recently imposed, and was committed in the same time frame as the prior misconduct, the mitigation accorded to Respondent in the prior matters applies here as well.

Additional Mitigating Circumstances:

Prefiling Stipulation: Respondent is entitled to mitigation for entering into a full stipulation with the Office of Chief Trial Counsel prior to trial, thereby saving State Bar Court time and resources. (See *Silva-Vidor v. State Bar* (1989) 49 Cal.3d 1071, 1079 [where mitigative credit was given for entering into a stipulation as to facts and culpability].)

AUTHORITIES SUPPORTING DISCIPLINE.

The Standards for Attorney Sanctions for Professional Misconduct “set forth a means for determining the appropriate disciplinary sanction in a particular case and to ensure consistency across cases dealing with similar misconduct and surrounding circumstances.” (Rules Proc. of State Bar, tit. IV, Stds. for Atty. Sanctions for Prof. Misconduct, std. 1.1. All further references to Standards are to this source.) The Standards help fulfill the primary purposes of discipline, which include: protection of the public, the courts and the legal profession; maintenance of the highest professional standards; and preservation of public confidence in the legal profession. (See std. 1.1; *In re Morse* (1995) 11 Cal.4th 184, 205.)

Although not binding, the standards are entitled to “great weight” and should be followed “whenever possible” in determining level of discipline. (*In re Silverton* (2005) 36 Cal.4th 81, 92, quoting *In re Brown* (1995) 12 Cal.4th 205, 220 and *In re Young* (1989) 49 Cal.3d 257, 267, fn. 11.) Adherence to the standards in the great majority of cases serves the valuable purpose of eliminating disparity and assuring consistency, that is, the imposition of similar attorney discipline for instances of similar attorney misconduct. (*In re Naney* (1990) 51 Cal.3d 186, 190.) If a recommendation is at the high end or low end of a Standard, an explanation must be given as to how the recommendation was reached. (Std. 1.1.) “Any disciplinary recommendation that deviates from the Standards must include clear reasons for the departure.” (Std. 1.1; *Blair v. State Bar* (1989) 49 Cal.3d 762, 776, fn. 5.)

In determining whether to impose a sanction greater or less than that specified in a given Standard, in addition to the factors set forth in the specific Standard, consideration is to be given to the primary purposes of discipline; the balancing of all aggravating and mitigating circumstances; the type of misconduct at issue; whether the client, public, legal system or profession was harmed; and the member's willingness and ability to conform to ethical responsibilities in the future. (Stds. 1.7(b) and (c).)

The Standard applicable to Respondent's misconduct is Standard 2.14, which addresses those violations of Article 6 of the Business and Professions Code (such as the section at issue here) which are not otherwise specified in the Standards, and for such violations Standard 2.14 provides that disbarment or

actual suspension is appropriate. In the instant matters, between October 30, 2009, and October 13, 2010, Respondent, in violation of law, charged and collected advanced fees for loan modifications from two clients. The misconduct clearly warrants discipline.

However, the misconduct occurred during the same time period as the misconduct committed by Respondent in his prior discipline (between September 2008 and September 2010), which is described above. Therefore, the discipline analysis must be conducted in light of the principle articulated in *In the Matter of Sklar* (Review Dept. 1993) 2 Cal. State Bar Ct. Rptr. 602, 619. Under *Sklar*, when the misconduct at issue is contemporaneous with the attorney's prior misconduct, a determination must be made as to what the appropriate level of discipline would have been if the current misconduct had been resolved at the same time as the prior matters. Here, not only did the misconduct occur during the same time period as Respondent's prior misconduct, the current misconduct is itself identical in nature to the prior misconduct. In Respondent's prior disciplinary matter, Respondent was ordered actually suspended for 60 days and until he makes complete restitution to nine former loan modification clients.

Here, Respondent collected illegal advanced fees from two additional loan modification clients. Respondent's multiple acts of misconduct are an aggravating circumstance. Further, Respondent did not make restitution to his former clients, and therefore deprived them of the use of their funds. Respondent's failure to make restitution is another factor in aggravation.

In the decision finding Respondent culpable for his prior misconduct, the Hearing Department accorded some mitigation to Respondent for his efforts to determine whether his plan to separate his services into "phases," as he did in the Potts matter herein, and to charge for each phase as it was completed, was permissible under the then-recently enacted statute. The State Bar Court found that that question was not answered by the court until 2012, by which time Respondent had stopped taking loan modification clients. The Court also accorded mitigation to Respondent for his good character as attested to by business associates, lawyers, friends and clients. Because the current misconduct occurred in the same time frame as the earlier acts of misconduct, the same mitigation credit is extended to Respondent in the analysis of his current misconduct.

Although Respondent's current misconduct is serious, the State Bar submits that the misconduct does not warrant additional actual suspension beyond that already imposed by the Supreme Court in Respondent's prior disciplinary proceeding. Again, although the instant misconduct involves Respondent's collection of illegal, advanced fees from two of his former clients who had employed Respondent to negotiate modifications of their home mortgages, the misconduct is of the same nature as, and occurred during the same time period as, the misconduct at issue in Respondent's prior disciplinary proceeding. Whether all 11 clients' matters been included in the prior discipline, instead of only nine, the discipline imposed on Respondent would appropriately have been the same.

The State Bar submits that in light of the misconduct at issue in these proceedings, the applicable Standard, and in consideration of the balancing of all aggravating and mitigating circumstances, a one-year stayed suspension and two years of probation, with full restitution to be made to his former clients within the first 60 days of his probation, as additional discipline for these two matters, achieves the purposes of attorney discipline.

COSTS OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS.

Respondent acknowledges that the Office of the Chief Trial Counsel has informed Respondent that as of March 21, 2014, the prosecution costs in this matter are \$3,858. Respondent further acknowledges that

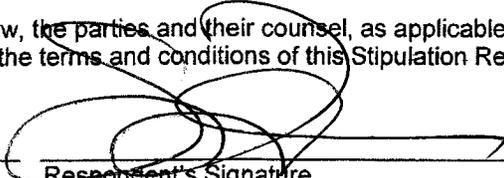
should this stipulation be rejected or should relief from the stipulation be granted, the costs in this matter may increase due to the cost of further proceedings.

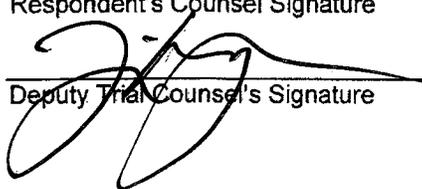
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SIGNATURE OF THE PARTIES

By their signatures below, the parties and their counsel, as applicable, signify their agreement with each of the recitations and each of the terms and conditions of this Stipulation Re Facts, Conclusions of Law, and Disposition.

3-28-14  Steven C. Feldman
Date Respondent's Signature Print Name

4-4-14  Timothy G. Byer
Date Deputy Trial Counsel's Signature Print Name

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STAYED SUSPENSION ORDER

Finding the stipulation to be fair to the parties and that it adequately protects the public, IT IS ORDERED that the requested dismissal of counts/charges, if any, is GRANTED without prejudice, and:

- The stipulated facts and disposition are APPROVED and the DISCIPLINE RECOMMENDED to the Supreme Court.
- The stipulated facts and disposition are APPROVED AS MODIFIED as set forth below, and the DISCIPLINE IS RECOMMENDED to the Supreme Court.
- All Hearing dates are vacated.

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The parties are bound by the stipulation as approved unless: 1) a motion to withdraw or modify the stipulation, filed within 15 days after service of this order, is granted; or 2) this court modifies or further modifies the approved stipulation. (See rule 5.58(E) & (F), Rules of Procedure.) **The effective date of this disposition is the effective date of the Supreme Court order herein, normally 30 days after file date. (See rule 9.18(a), California Rules of Court.)**

04-08-2014
Date


Judge of the State Bar Court

RICHARD A. PLATEL

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 April 10, 2014, I deposited a true copy of the following document(s):

STIPULATION RE FACTS, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND DISPOSITION AND
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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 Los Angeles, California, addressed as follows:

STEVEN CRAIG FELDMAN
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30100 TOWN CENTER DR STE 196
LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA 92677

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

TIMOTHY BYER, Enforcement, Los Angeles

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on April 10, 2014.



Angela Carpenter
Case Administrator
State Bar Court