FOR CLERK'S USE ONLY: STATE BAR COURT OF CALIFORNIA **FILED** HEARING DEPARTMENT STATE BAR COURT **CLERK'S OFFICE** 845 S. Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, CA 90017-2515 LOS ANGELES In the Matter of: Case No: 13-O-16053 WILLIAM ARTHUR SKOOG, JR., ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR COST RELIEF Member No. 113978, A Member of the State Bar

On June 12, 2015, Respondent filed a motion seeking relief from the order assessing costs in the above matter. The sum of those costs is stated to be \$7,252. Respondent asks this court to extend the time for him to pay those costs. In support of his motion, Respondent provided a financial statement that shows his present financial inability to pay the required costs.

On June 15, 2015, the State Bar filed a statement opposing Respondent's motion, pointing out the failure of Respondent to attach a supporting declaration separate and apart from the sworn financial statement and complaining that the current obligation to pay costs does not require any payment prior to February 2016.

The objections of the State Bar to the motion are not supported by the rules governing the motion. Rule 5.130 of the Rules of Procedure of the State Bar requires a party filing such a motion to file it "as soon as practicable" and imposes no universal requirement that any sworn statement, other than the required financial statement, be attached to the motion. While such a declaration may be necessary in particular situations to show good cause for the requested relief, such is not the case here.

GOOD CAUSE having been shown, Respondent's obligation to pay costs is hereby modified and extended as follows: the sum of the disciplinary costs currently still owed ("Present Balance") will be due and payable in two installments, with one-half of the Present Balance to be paid by Respondent on or before each of the deadlines for payment of membership fees for the years 2016 and 2017. 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 the State Bar 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.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: June 18, 2015

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 June 19, 2015, I deposited a true copy of the following document(s):

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in a sealed envelope for collection and mailing on that date as follows:

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

## **KEVIN BUCHER, Enforcement, Los Angeles**

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on June 19, 2015.

Tammy Cleaver Case Administrator State Bar Court