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STATE BAR COURT OF CALIFORNIA

REVIEW DEPARTMENT

IN BANK

In the Matter of)	Case No. 15-C-10384
ERIC L. MERL,)	ORDER
A Member of the State Bar, No. 117068.)	

Since respondent Eric L. Merl, State Bar Number 117068, has been convicted of felony violations of title 18 United States Code sections 371 (conspiracy), and 1001 (false statement), it is ordered pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 6102 that respondent be suspended from the practice of law effective April 29, 2015, pending final disposition of this proceeding. (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 9.10(a).) It is further ordered that respondent comply with California Rules of Court, rule 9.20, and perform the acts specified in subdivisions (a) and (c) of that rule within 30 and 40 days, respectively, after the effective date of this suspension.

Within 10 days of this order, the Office of the Chief Trial Counsel of the State Bar is ordered to provide clarification regarding the crime underlying the conspiracy conviction under title 18 United States Code section 371 for classification purposes. The Transmittal of Records of Conviction of Attorney asserts that respondent was convicted of a violation of title 18 United States Code section 371 (conspiracy to defraud the United States by violating 26 U.S.C. § 7201 –

¹ The court reserves jurisdiction over the classification of Merl's convictions for violating title 18 United States Code sections 371 and 1001.

tax evasion). However, our review of the Superseding Indictment (pp. 21-22) indicates that the object of the conspiracy was the violation of title 18 United States Code section 1343.

PURCELL

Presiding Judge

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. 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, 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:

[X] by first-class mail, with postage thereon fully prepaid, through the United States Postal Service at Los Angeles, California, addressed as follows:

ERIC L. MERL 710 NE 7TH ST # 304 BOYNTON BEACH, FL 33435

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

CHARLES A. MURRAY, Enforcement, Los Angeles

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on April 10, 2015.

Jasmine Guladziyan
Case Administrator
State Bar Court