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| In the Matter of |) | Case No. 16-C-14253 |
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| JAMES EDWARD KROETCH, |) | ORDER |
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| A Member of the State Bar, No. 95434. |) | |
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Since respondent James Edward Kroetch, State Bar Number 95434, has been convicted of violating Penal Code section 311.11, subdivision (a) (possession of child pornography), a crime involving moral turpitude, it is ordered pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 6102 that respondent be suspended from the practice of law effective October 9, 2017, pending final disposition of this proceeding. (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 9.10(a).) It is also 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.

As the judgment of conviction is final and it appearing that the statutory criteria for summary disbarment are not met, this case is referred to the Hearing Department for a hearing and decision recommending the discipline to be imposed.

PURCELL

Presiding Judge



CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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

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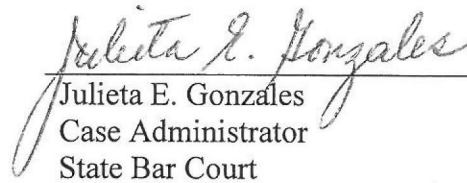
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I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on September 13, 2017.



Julieta E. Gonzales
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