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IN THE STATE BAR COURT OF THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE)
CONVICTION OF:)
MICHAEL RICHARDS,)
No. 229790,)
A Member of the State Bar.)
) [] Felony;
) [] Crime(s) involved moral turpitude;
) [] Probable cause to believe the crime(s) involved moral
turpitude;
) [X] Crime(s) which may or may not involve moral turpitude or
other misconduct warranting discipline;
) [] Transmittal of Notice of Finality of Conviction.

To the CLERK OF THE STATE BAR COURT:

1. Transmittal of records.

- [X] A. Pursuant to the provisions of Business and Professions Code, section 6101-6102 and California Rules of Court, rule 9.5 et seq., the Office of Chief Trial Counsel transmits a certified copy of the record of convictions of the following member of the State Bar and for such consideration and action as the Court deems appropriate:
- [] B. Notice of Appeal
- [] C. Evidence of Finality of Conviction (Notice of Lack of Appeal)
- [] D. Other



Name of Member: Michael Richards

Date member admitted to practice law in California: January 6, 2004

Member's Address of Record: 825 Pelton Ave
Santa Cruz, CA 95060-6409

2. Date and court of conviction; offense(s).

The record of conviction reflects that the above-named member of the State Bar was convicted as follows:

Date of entry of conviction: January 4, 2017

Convicting court: Santa Cruz County Superior Court

Case number(s): Santa Cruz County Superior Court Case No. 16CR08232

Crime(s) of which convicted and classification(s): Violation of Penal Code section 148(a) [resisting arrest], one count, a misdemeanor that may or may not involve moral turpitude or other misconduct warranting discipline. (See *In the Matter of Carver* (Review Dept. 2014) 5 Cal. State Bar Ct. Rptr. 348, 352 [attorney's prior discipline involved a conviction for resisting arrest that had been referred to the hearing department to determine whether the facts and circumstances surrounding that and another misdemeanor involved moral turpitude or other misconduct warranting discipline; parties stipulated that convictions did not involve moral turpitude and hearing department imposed a stipulated public reproof]; *In the Matter of Stewart* (Review Dept. 1994) 3 Cal. State Bar Ct. Rptr. 52, 56 and 60 [battery upon a police officer found not to involve moral turpitude but to constitute other misconduct warranting discipline].

3. Compliance with Rule 9.20. (Applicable only if checked.)

We bring to the Court's attention that, should the Court enter an order of interim suspension herein, the Court may wish to require the above-named member to comply with the provisions of rule 9.20, California Rules of Court, paragraph (a), within 30 days of the effective date of any such order; and to file the affidavit with the Clerk of the State Bar Court provided for in paragraph (c) of rule 9.20 within 40 days of the effective date of said order, showing the member's compliance with the provisions of rule 9.20.

4. Other information to assist the State Bar Court

DOCUMENTS TRANSMITTED:

Criminal Complaint, filed December 8, 2016
Plea Form, filed January 4, 2017
Minute Order re: Sentencing, dated January 4, 2017
Probation/Conditional Sentence Order, filed January 4, 2017

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DATED: June 14, 2017

BY: Allen Blumenthal
Allen Blumenthal
Supervising Attorney

A copy of this transmittal and its
Attachments have been sent to:

Michael Richards
825 Pelton Ave
Santa Cruz, CA 95060-6409

DECLARATION OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED MAIL

CASE NUMBER: 17-C-492

I, the undersigned, over the age of eighteen (18) years, whose business address and place of employment is the State Bar of California, 180 Howard Street, San Francisco, California 94105, declare that I am not a party to the within action; that I am readily familiar with the State Bar of California's practice for collection and processing of correspondence for mailing with the United States Postal Service; that in the ordinary course of the State Bar of California's practice, correspondence collected and processed by the State Bar of California would be deposited with the United States Postal Service that same day; that I am aware that on motion of party served, service is presumed invalid if postal cancellation date or postage meter date on the envelope or package is more than one day after date of deposit for mailing contained in the affidavit; and that in accordance with the practice of the State Bar of California for collection and processing of mail, I deposited or placed for collection and mailing in the City and County of San Francisco, on the date shown below, a true copy of the within

• **TRANSMITTAL OF RECORDS OF CONVICTION OF ATTORNEY, including:**

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- Plea Form, filed January 4, 2017;**
- Minute Order re: Sentencing, dated January 4, 2017; and**
- Probation/Conditional Sentence Order, filed January 4, 2017.**

in a sealed envelope placed for collection and mailing as certified mail, return receipt requested, Article No.: 9414 7266 9904 2097 0396 30, at San Francisco, on the date shown below, addressed to:


**Michael Richards
825 Pelton Avenue
Santa Cruz, CA 95060-6409**

in an inter-office mail facility regularly maintained by the State Bar of California addressed to:

N/A

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed at San Francisco, California, on the date shown below.

DATED: June 13, 2017

Signed: 
Cindy Francois
Declarant