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**STATE BAR COURT OF CALIFORNIA**  
**REVIEW DEPARTMENT**  
**EN BANC**

In the Matter of ) Case No. 18-C-13540  
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GEORGE AARON SHOHEI, ) ORDER  
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A Member of the State Bar, No. 112697. )  
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On February 1, 2019, respondent George Aaron Shohet filed a motion to vacate his interim suspension that became effective on September 24, 2018 based on his 2015 felony conviction for evading the police and his misdemeanor conviction for driving under the influence. On February 14, 2019, The Office of Chief Trial Counsel of the State Bar filed an opposition. On February 20, 2019, respondent filed a reply and his supplemental declaration.

Respondent's motion is granted. The State Bar Rules of Procedure permit this court to vacate an interim suspension in the interests of justice (Rules Proc. of State Bar, rule 5.342(D)). We find that the following facts and circumstances support vacating respondent's interim suspension. Respondent (1) was accepted into the Alternative Discipline Program (ADP) on February 19, 2019, (2) has accepted a high/low discipline of a 30-day suspension if he successfully completes ADP and a six-month suspension if he fails ADP, (3) has been suspended almost five months – nearly as long as if he failed ADP, (4) has participated in the Lawyer Assistance Program (LAP) for 39 months, and (5) completed his criminal probation on February 15, 2019 and obtained from superior court a reduction of his felony charge to a misdemeanor and an expungement of both charges.

The court clerk is directed to file and serve this order and also to provide it by courtesy email forthwith.

**PURCELL**

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Presiding Judge

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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

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I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on February 20, 2019.



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