

Falls Church, Virginia 22041

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File: D2017-0010

Date: **MAR 24 2017**

In re: CHRISTIAN R. JUAREZ, ATTORNEY

IN PRACTITIONER DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

PETITION FOR IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION

ON BEHALF OF EOIR: Jennifer J. Barnes  
Disciplinary Counsel

ON BEHALF OF DHS: Jeannette V. Dever  
Associate Legal Advisor

On November 22, 2016, the State Bar Court of California found that clear and convincing evidence supported 30 counts of misconduct filed against the respondent and recommended that the respondent be disbarred. The State Bar Court also ordered the respondent transferred to involuntary inactive status pending the final resolution of his disciplinary proceedings. The inactive enrollment took effect 3 days after the court's order.

On March 3, 2017, the Disciplinary Counsel for the Executive Office for Immigration Review petitioned for the respondent's immediate suspension from practice before the Board of Immigration Appeals ("Board") and the Immigration Courts. The Department of Homeland Security ("DHS") then asked that the respondent be similarly suspended from practice before that agency. The petition is granted.<sup>1</sup> See 8 C.F.R. §§ 1003.103(a)(1) and (4) (discussing grounds for immediate suspension).

ORDER: The petition is granted, and the respondent is immediately suspended from the practice of law before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS. 8 C.F.R. § 1003.103(a)(4).

FURTHER ORDER: The respondent shall promptly notify, in writing, any clients with cases currently pending before the Board, the Immigration Courts, or the DHS that the respondent has been suspended from practicing before these bodies.

FURTHER ORDER: The respondent shall maintain records to evidence compliance with this order.

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<sup>1</sup> The Board may set aside the order of immediate suspension upon a showing of good cause when it appears in the interest of justice to do so. 8 C.F.R. § 1003.103(a)(4).

FURTHER ORDER: The contents of this notice shall be made available to the public, including at Immigration Courts and appropriate offices of the DHS.

  
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FOR THE BOARD