U.S. Department of Justice **Executive Office for Immigration**

Falls Church, Virginia 22041

File: D2002-074 Date:

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In re: VICTOR STEPHEN MARTINEZ, ATTORNEY

IN PRACTITIONER DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

PETITION FOR IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION

ON BEHALF OF GENERAL COUNSEL: Jennifer J. Barnes, Esquire

ON BEHALF OF SERVICE: Mark N. Glickman, Appellate Counsel

ORDER:

PER CURIAM. On March 4, 2002, the Supreme Court of California suspended the respondent from the practice of law, for an effective period of nine months.

Consequently, on August 19, 2002, the Office of General Counsel for the Executive Office for Immigration Review initiated disciplinary proceedings against the respondent and petitioned for the respondent's immediate suspension from practice before the Board of Immigration Appeals and the Immigration Courts. On August 26, 2002, the Immigration and Naturalization Service asked that the respondent be similarly suspended from practice before that agency.

The petition is granted, and the respondent is hereby suspended, absent a showing of good cause, from the practice of law before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the Service pending final disposition of this proceeding. See 8 C.F.R. § 3.103(a).

Accordingly, the respondent is directed to promptly notify, in writing, any clients with cases currently pending before the Board, the Immigration Courts, or the Service that the respondent has been suspended from practicing before these bodies. The respondent shall maintain records to evidence compliance with this order. Moreover, we direct that the contents of this notice be made available to the public, including at Immigration Courts and appropriate offices of the Service.

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