

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION APPEALS BOARD  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**FEDERICO ROMERO SANDOVAL, *Applicant***

**vs.**

**DAVID ELIE, individually, and as dba  
ELIE DEVELOPMENT;  
STATE COMPENSATION INSURANCE FUND, *Defendants***

**Adjudication Numbers: ADJ9619271; ADJ9869525  
Santa Rosa District Office**

**OPINION AND ORDER GRANTING  
PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION  
AND DECISION  
AFTER RECONSIDERATION**

It has come to the attention of the Appeals Board that, after filing a Petition for Reconsideration, the parties have reached a proposed settlement.

Since the District Office is precluded from acting on a case while it is pending on reconsideration (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 8, § 10961), in order to permit review by the workers' compensation administrative law judge (WCJ) of the proposed settlement, we will grant reconsideration, rescind the decision from which reconsideration is sought, and return this matter to the trial level for the WCJ to consider the proposed settlement. If the WCJ does not approve the settlement, the WCJ may issue an order reinstating the original decision and any aggrieved person may timely seek reconsideration from the reinstated decision. This is not a final decision on the merits of any of the issues pending on reconsideration.

For the foregoing reasons,

**IT IS ORDERED** that the Petition for Reconsideration is **GRANTED**.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** as the Decision After Reconsideration of the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board that the WCJ's decision of September 13, 2023 is **RESCINDED** and this matter is **RETURNED** to the trial level for further proceedings and decision by the WCJ.

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION APPEALS BOARD**

/s/ KATHERINE A. ZALEWSKI, CHAIR

I CONCUR,

/s/ JOSÉ H. RAZO, COMMISSIONER

/s/ CRAIG SNELLINGS, COMMISSIONER



**DATED AND FILED AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

**November 9, 2023**

**SERVICE MADE ON THE ABOVE DATE ON THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW AT THEIR ADDRESSES SHOWN ON THE CURRENT OFFICIAL ADDRESS RECORD.**

**FEDERICO ROMERO SANDOVAL  
LAW OFFICE OF CHARLES A. DAVIS  
DIETZ, GILMOR & CHAZEN**

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I certify that I affixed the official seal of the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board to this original decision on this date. *abs*