## RICHSTATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS DIVISION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR

In Re: PROVIDER SUSPENSION DOLPHUS DWAYNE PIERCE,

ORDER OF SUSPENSION

Respondent.

WHEREAS, Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(A) requires the Administrative Director to suspend any physician, practitioner, or provider from participating in the workers' compensation system as a physician, practitioner, or provider if the individual has been convicted of any felony or misdemeanor described in Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(A); and

WHEREAS, on or about January 8, 2016, Dolphus Dwayne Pierce pled guilty to or was found guilty of one or more felonies or misdemeanors described in Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(A) in the Superior Court of California, County of Kern; and

WHEREAS, Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(C) requires the Administrative Director to suspend any physician, practitioner, or provider from participating in the workers' compensation system as a physician, practitioner, or provider whose license, certification or approval to provide health care services has been surrendered or revoked; and

WHEREAS, on or about June 3, 2017, Dolphus Dwayne Pierce's license, certification or approval to provide health care services was surrendered or revoked by the Board of Chiropractic Examiners, State of California, Department of Consumer Affairs; and

WHEREAS, on or about September 29, 2017, the Administrative Director mailed to Dolphus Dwayne Pierce a written notice of the right to a hearing regarding the suspension and the procedure to follow to request a hearing, as provided in Labor Code section 139.21(b)(2) and California Code of Regulations, title 8, section 9788.1; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Labor Code section 139.21(b)(2) and California Code of Regulations, title 8, section 9788.1(d), the written notice advised Dolphus Dwayne Pierce that the suspension would

start thirty (30) calendar days after the date of mailing of written notice, unless Dolphus Dwayne Pierce submitted a written request for a hearing within ten (10) calendar days of the date of mailing of the notice; and

WHEREAS, Dolphus Dwayne Pierce did not submit a written request for hearing within ten (10) calendar days of the date of mailing of the notice; and

WHEREAS, the Administrative Director is required to suspend any physician, practitioner, or provider pursuant to Labor Code section 139.21 and Title 8, California Code of Regulations section 9788.2, after thirty (30) days from the date the notice was mailed, unless the physician, practitioner, or provider submits a written request for a hearing within ten (10) calendar days of the date of mailing of the notice;

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Dolphus Dwayne Pierce is hereby suspended from participating in the workers' compensation system as a physician, practitioner, or provider.

Date: October 30, 2017

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