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**STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS  
DIVISION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION  
BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR**

In Re: PROVIDER SUSPENSION

ROBERT FULTON STERNER,

Respondent.

**ORDER OF SUSPENSION**

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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

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WHEREAS, on or about April 17, 2017, Robert Sterner's license, certification or approval to provide health care services was surrendered or revoked by the Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer Affairs; and

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WHEREAS, on or about December 15, 2017, the Administrative Director mailed to Robert Sterner 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

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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 Robert Sterner that the suspension would start thirty (30) calendar days after the date of mailing of written notice, unless Robert Sterner submitted a written request for a hearing within ten (10) calendar days of the date of mailing of the notice; and

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

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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

1 provider submits a written request for a hearing within ten (10) calendar days of the date of mailing of  
2 the notice;

3 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Robert Sterner is hereby suspended from participating in the  
4 workers' compensation system as a physician, practitioner, or provider.

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6 Date: January 19, 2018

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