

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

**MICHAEL JOHNSON,**

Applicant,

Designated Case No. **SAU12385777**  
(MF)

vs

**EARLY STRIDES CHILD  
DEVELOPMENT; FARMERS  
INSURANCE EXCHANGE et al**

Defendants,

**ORDER OF CONSOLIDATION,  
DESIGNATION OF MASTER  
FILE, AND NOTICE OF  
HEARING**

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***KOMBERG CHIROPRACTIC,  
TRI-CITY HEALTH GROUP INC.,  
TRI-COUNTY MEDICAL GROUP,  
INC.***

Lien Claimants

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A Petition has been filed by Farmers Insurance Exchange, requesting a consolidation of the cases listed in Attachment A for the purpose of discovery into the common issues of law and fact related to whether the listed liens are subject to the automatic stay provision of Labor Code Section 4615(a) based on Edward Komberg D.C. being an officer, director, or having de facto control of Komberg Chiropractic Inc., Tri-City Health Group Inc., and Tri-County Medical Group (collectively referred to as "Lien Claimants").

After delegation of authority from the Acting Chief Judge, based on the complexity of the claims and issues as set forth therein, and Section 10396 of the California Code of Regulations, it is ordered that the liens of Lien Claimants identified in Exhibit A are consolidated for the purpose of discovery into the common issues of law and fact related to whether the liens and claims are subject to the automatic stay provision of Labor Code Section

4615(a). The consolidated liens listed in Attachment A are ordered stayed pending further determination.

The above captioned case, SAU12385777, is designated as the Master File. If it is later determined that additional matters should be included in this consolidation an additional order shall be issued. All documents regarding this consolidation shall be filed either by JET, e-filing or at the Long Beach district office, unless otherwise ordered. Further information regarding alternative document filing during the COVID-19 pandemic may be found on the DWC webpage at [www.dir.ca.gov/dwc](http://www.dir.ca.gov/dwc). The parties are ordered to use only the Master File case number when referencing the consolidated matter.

WCJ Jim Zoellner at the Long Beach district office is designated as the assigned judge for purposes of this consolidation. Judge Zoellner shall have the authority to make all orders as necessary and appropriate in this consolidated matter.

**This matter is set for a Status Conference at 10:30 AM on Aug 22, 2022, before Judge Zoellner at 1500 Hughes Way, Suite C203, Long Beach, CA 90810, 562-590-5001.**

The hearing will be held by conference call, and the parties are to call in to Judge Zoellner's conference call line at (866) 390-1828, access code 1725591.

Attorney Eric Danowitz is ordered to serve this order on all parties of record.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated: 07/15/2022

/s/ William E. Gunn

WILLIAM E. GUNN  
Presiding Workers' Compensation Appeals Judge

NOTICE TO: [edanowitz@mvjllp.com](mailto:edanowitz@mvjllp.com)

Pursuant to Rule 10629 you are designated to serve this/these document(s) on all parties shown on the Official Address Record. By: *Shoghig N* On 07.15.2022

## Attachment A

ADJ2821927, ADJ6738732, ADJ7690304, ADJ816228, ADJ10847524,  
ADJ12385777, ADJ10516614, ADJ10698480, ADJ10629250, ADJ11233252,  
ADJ11178292, ADJ11301564, ADJ10591621, ADJ10700979, ADJ10893983,  
ADJ10927382, ADJ11037453 , ADJ11071880, ADJ8274226 , ADJ11509609 ,  
ADJ11383881, ADJ12256061, ADJ12018781, ADJ12354312, ADJ12591777,  
ADJ12628670, ADJ13241940, ADJ11329838, ADJ11324413, ADJ11357442,  
ADJ11637568, ADJ11702648, ADJ12033087, ADJ12385777, ADJ10847524,  
ADJ10591621, ADJ10700979, ADJ10893983, ADJ10927382, ADJ11037453,  
ADJ11071880, ADJ8274226, ADJ11329838, ADJ11324413, ADJ11357442,  
ADJ11637568, ADJ11702648, ADJ12033087, ADJ12385777.