WORKERS' COMPENSATION APPEALS BOARD STATE OF CALIFORNIA

ERIC BRAGER,

Applicant,

v.

RKL TECHNOLOGIES,

Defendants.

Center for Better Health dba Southland Spine and Rehabilitation.

Lien Claimant.

Designated Case No.: SAU8840977(MF)

Amended ORDER OF CONSOLIDATION AND STAY OF LIENS, DESIGNATION OF MASTER FILE, AND NOTICE OF HEARING

A Petition has been filed by Farmers Insurance Exchange, requesting a consolidation of the liens filed by Center for Better Health dba Southland Spine and Rehabilitation in the cases listed in Attachment A for the purpose of discovery into the common issues of law and fact:

- 1. Whether patients were referred to Center for Better Health dba Southland Spine and Rehabilitation violation of Labor Code Section 139.3, Bus. & Prof. Code 650 and Labor Code 139.32;
- 2. Whether patients were referred from Center for Better Health dba Southland Spine and Rehabilitation to ancillary service providers in violation of Labor Code Section 139.3, Bus. & Prof. Code Section 650 and Labor Code Section 139.32;

After delegation of authority from the 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 claimant Center for Better Health dba Southland Spine and Rehabilitation identified in Exhibit A are consolidated for the purpose of discovery into the common issues of law and fact described above. The consolidated liens listed in Attachment A are ordered stayed pending further determination.

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 Anaheim district office, unless otherwise ordered. The parties are ordered to use only the Master File case number when referencing the consolidated matter.

Judge Tammy Homen of the Anaheim District office has been designated as the assigned judge for purposes of this consolidation. All documents regarding this consolidation shall be filed either by mail to the Anaheim District Office, or by electronic filing by EAMS or JET unless otherwise ordered. Judge Homen 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. 21, 2024, before Judge Homen. The hearing will be held by Teleconference, and the parties are to call in to Judge Homen's ATT Conference line: 1-888-363-4734 access code: 3979606

Further, Mokri Vanis Newport Beach is hereby ordered to serve this order on all parties of record.

IT IS SO **ORDERED**.

DATED: 07.23.2024

/<u>s/ William E. Gunn, PWCJ</u> WILLIAM E. GUNN

Presiding Workers' Compensation Judge

Copy served by email on MOKRI VANIS- Eric Danowitz at edanowitz@mvjllp.com who is hereby ordered to serve all parties of record with copies of this order pursuant to Title 8, CCR §10629.

By: Shoghig M On: 07.23.2024

Attachment A

ADJ3858007, ADJ2541516, ADJ1557143, ADJ1426399, ADJ8840977, ADJ6934397, ADJ6738732, ADJ2142770, ADJ9866731, ADJ8515072, ADJ6845610, ADJ8926414, ADJ6930838, ADJ7210139, ADJ7237003, ADJ7620713, ADJ9137755, ADJ9320877, ADJ8536439, ADJ8227110, ADJ9090424, ADJ8723893, ADJ8379535, ADJ8849392, ADJ9927229, ADJ8859337, ADJ9002305, ADJ8998631, ADJ9162290, ADJ9103478, ADJ9116544, ADJ9241953, ADJ9457981, ADJ9275440, ADJ9421289, ADJ9474802, ADJ9566051, ADJ8282193, ADJ8604261, ADJ9996670, ADJ9676207, ADJ9956979, ADJ8869735, ADJ9867523, ADJ9881719, ADJ9997024, ADJ10023304, ADJ3348853, ADJ9338522, ADJ10129974, ADJ10092706, ADJ10096152, ADJ10232384, ADJ10167966, ADJ10237406, ADJ10197120, ADJ10226665, ADJ9908908, ADJ10576996.