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

In Re: PROVIDER SUSPENSION JOSE MELENDEZ.

Respondent.

ORDER OF SUSPENSION

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 February 15, 2013, Jose Melendez 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 United States District Court, Southern District of California: and

WHEREAS, on or about September 13, 2019, the Administrative Director mailed to Jose Melendez 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 Jose Melendez that the suspension would start thirty (30) calendar days after the date of mailing of written notice, unless Jose Melendez submitted a written request for a hearing within ten (10) calendar days of the date of mailing of the notice; and

WHEREAS, Jose Melendez 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 Jose Melendez is hereby suspended from participating in the workers' compensation system as a physician, practitioner, or provider.

Date: October 16, 2019

GEORGE PARISOTTO Administrative Director

Division of Workers' Compensation