WORKERS' COMPENSATION APPEALS BOARD STATE OF CALIFORNIA

GEORGE SHARPERSON, Applicant

VS.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, legally uninsured, administered by STATE COMPENSATION INSURANCE FUND, *Defendants*

Adjudication Number: ADJ14449438; ADJ9252169 Los Angeles District Office

OPINION AND ORDER DISMISSING PETITION FOR REMOVAL

Applicant has filed a petition for removal from the Joint Order Vacating Submission for Further Development of the Record and Setting the Matter for Conference, issued on June 6, 2025, by the workers' compensation administrative law judge (WCJ).

We have received an Answer from defendant. The WCJ filed a Report and Recommendation on Petition for Removal (Report) recommending that we deny removal.

On August 28, 2025, applicant filed a petition to withdraw the Petition for Removal. Accordingly, we dismiss the Petition for Removal.

For the foregoing reasons,

IT IS ORDERED that applicant's Petition for Removal from the Joint Order Vacating Submission for Further Development of the Record and Setting the Matter for Conference, issued on June 6, 2025, by the WCJ is **DISMISSED**.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION APPEALS BOARD

/s/ JOSEPH V. CAPURRO, COMMISSIONER

I CONCUR,

/s/ KATHERINE A. ZALEWSKI, CHAIR



/s/ PAUL F. KELLY, COMMISSIONER

DATED AND FILED AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

OCTOBER 21, 2025

SERVICE MADE ON THE ABOVE DATE ON THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW AT THEIR ADDRESSES SHOWN ON THE CURRENT OFFICIAL ADDRESS RECORD.

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I certify that I affixed the official seal of the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board to this original decision on this date. KI