

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

GENE VERDUGO, *Applicant*

vs.

**THE RICHARD NIXON FOUNDATION; OAK RIVER INSURANCE COMPANY,
administered by BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY HOMESTATE COMPANIES, *Defendants***

**Adjudication Numbers: ADJ20984366, ADJ21364751
Van Nuys District Office**

**OPINION AND ORDER
DISMISSING PETITION
FOR REMOVAL**

Defendant has filed a petition for removal from the “Joint Order Vacating Pursuant 8 Cal. Code of Regs. §10955(d)” issued on December 9, 2025, by the workers’ compensation administrative law judge (WCJ). The WCJ rescinded a prior order denying defendant’s petition for dismissal and ordered the parties to meet and confer on the issue.

Defendant contends that it should be summarily dismissed based upon the contents of its petition.

The WCJ filed a Report and Recommendation on Petition for Removal (Report) recommending that we deny removal.

After defendant filed its petition, applicant filed an amended application, which amended the pleadings in this matter to dismiss The Richard Nixon Foundation and Oak River Insurance Company and join the correct employer. It appears that the parties were able to meet and confer pursuant to the December 9, 2025 Joint Order Vacating, and resolve their issue amicably. As all of the relief sought by defendant has occurred, we will order that its petition for removal be dismissed as moot.

In the future, defendant should seek to withdraw petitions where the issue becomes moot. Accordingly, we dismiss the petition for removal.

For the foregoing reasons,

IT IS ORDERED that defendant's Petition for Removal from the Joint Order Vacating Pursuant 8 Cal. Code of Regs. §10955(d) issued on December 9, 2025, by the WCJ is **DISMISSED**.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION APPEALS BOARD

/s/ KATHERINE WILLIAMS DODD, COMMISSIONER

I CONCUR,

/s/ KATHERINE A. ZALEWSKI, CHAIR

/s/ JOSÉ H. RAZO, COMMISSIONER



DATED AND FILED AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

February 26, 2026

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

**GENE VERDUGO
ABRAMSON LABOR
LLARENA MURDOCK**

EDL/mt

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