

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

In Re: PROVIDER SUSPENSION

JOHN LEE, AKA DIRK DE BRITO,

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 May 2, 2017, Respondent John Lee 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 Superior Court, County of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(B) requires the Administrative Director to suspend any physician, practitioner, or provider from participating in the workers' compensation system as a physician, practitioner, or provider who has been suspended, due to fraud or abuse, from the federal Medicare or Medicaid programs; and

WHEREAS, John Lee was suspended, due to fraud or abuse, from the federal Medicare or Medicaid programs; and

WHEREAS, Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(C) requires the Administrative Director to suspend any physician, practitioner, or provider from participating in the workers' compensation system as a physician, practitioner, or provider whose license, certification, or approval to provide health care services has been surrendered or revoked; and

1 WHEREAS, on or about January 25, 2019, John Lee's license, certification, or
2 approval to provide health care services was surrendered or revoked by the Medical Board
3 of California, Department of Consumer Affairs; and

4 WHEREAS, on or about April 8, 2025, the Administrative Director mailed to John
5 Lee a written notice of the right to a hearing regarding the suspension and the procedure to
6 follow to request a hearing, as provided in Labor Code section 139.21(b)(2) and California
7 Code of Regulations, title 8, section 9788.1; and

8 WHEREAS, pursuant to Labor Code section 139.21(b)(2) and California Code of
9 Regulations, title 8, section 9788.1(d), the written notice advised John Lee that the
10 suspension would start thirty (30) calendar days after the date of mailing of written notice,
11 unless John Lee submitted a written request for a hearing within ten (10) calendar days of
12 the date of mailing of the notice; and

13 WHEREAS, John Lee did not submit a written request for hearing within ten (10)
14 calendar days of the date of mailing of the notice; and

15 WHEREAS, the Administrative Director is required to suspend any physician,
16 practitioner, or provider pursuant to Labor Code section 139.21 and California Code of
17 Regulations, title 8, section 9788.2, after thirty (30) days from the date the notice was
18 mailed, unless the physician, practitioner, or provider submits a written request for a
19 hearing within ten (10) calendar days of the date of mail of the notice;

20 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Respondent John Lee is hereby suspended from
21 participating in the workers' compensation system as a physician, practitioner, or provider.
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24 Date: July 24, 2026

/S/ Nicole L. Richardson
Nicole L. Richardson
Acting Administrative Director
of Workers' Compensation