

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

BENIGNO CRUZ, *Applicant*

vs.

**MARRIOTT INTERNATIONAL; TRAVELERS PROPERTY AND CASUALTY
COMPANY OF AMERICA, *Defendants***

**Adjudication Numbers: ADJ13824090
San Diego District Office**

**ORDER DISMISSING
PETITION FOR REMOVAL**

Lien claimant, Michael Blott, D.C., has filed a petition for removal from the order of continuance issued on December 10, 2025, by the workers' compensation administrative law judge (WCJ). Lien claimant argues that the matter should proceed to trial.

Thereafter, on February 2, 2026, the parties completed their pre-trial conference statement and the WCJ ordered that the matter would be set for trial upon return from the Appeals Board.

Accordingly, we will dismiss the petition for removal as the issue raised is now moot and return this to the trial level so that it may be set for trial.

For the foregoing reasons,

IT IS ORDERED that lien claimant's Petition for Removal from the order of continuance issued on December 10, 2025, by the WCJ is **DISMISSED**.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION APPEALS BOARD

/s/ KATHERINE WILLIAMS DODD, COMMISSIONER

I CONCUR,

/s/ KATHERINE A. ZALEWSKI, CHAIR

/s/ ANNE SCHMITZ, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER



DATED AND FILED AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

APRIL 3, 2026

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

**BENIGNO CRUZ
MICHAEL S. BLOTT, D.C.
VERONICA PEREZ
BENJUMEA & ASSOCIATES, APC**

EDL/mt

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

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