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Plaintiffs,

v.

KAMEL KAZAN, D.C., SALVATORE SANTANGELO, D.C., NART TSAY, D.C., MIGUEL PAGAN, D.C., JOHN K. BURGER, D.O., JOAN VAN RAALTE, D.M.D., WAYNE MILLER, D.C., SHARAHY, M.D., JENNIFER O'BRIEN, TAE YOUNG HONG, D.C., GIOVANNI DURAN, PTA, BERGEN PHYSICAL LLC, THERAPY, PATERSON CHIROPRACTIC CENTER, P.C., MODERN ACUPUNCTURE, L.L.C., HEALTH ONE MEDICAL & PHYSICAL REHABILITATION, INNOVATIVE SPINE CARE, LLC, INNOVATIVE SPINE CARE MEDICAL CENTER, LLC, D/B/A PURE ANTI-AGING MEDICAL CENTER, JOAN RAALTE, D.M.D., P.C., AND JOHN DOES 1-50,

Defendants,

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: BERGEN COUNTY

DOCKET NO. BER-L-7550-13

CIVIL ACTION

STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT
(As to Kamel Kazan, D.C. and
Paterson Chiropractic Center,
P.C.)

MARLENE CARIDE, ACTING COMMISSIONER OF THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF BANKING AND INSURANCE,

Plaintiff-Intervenor,

v.

KAMEL KAZAN, D.C., SALVATORE SANTANGELO, D.C., NART TSAY, D.C., MIGUEL PAGAN, D.C., JOHN K. BURGER, D.O., JOAN VAN RAALTE, WAYNE MILLER, D.C., SHARAHY, M.D., JENNIFER O'BRIEN, TAE YOUNG HONG, D.C., GIOVANNI DURAN, PTA, BERGEN PHYSICAL THERAPY, LLC, PATERSON CHIROPRACTIC CENTER. P.C., MODERN ACUPUNCTURE, L.L.C., HEALTH ONE MEDICAL & REHABILITATION, PHYSICAL L.L.C., INNOVATIVE SPINE CARE, LLC, INNOVATIVE SPINE CARE MEDICAL CENTER, LLC, D/B/A PURE MEDICAL CENTER, ANTI-AGING JOAN RAALTE, D.M.D., P.C., AND JOHN DOES 1-50,

Defendants.

WHEREAS Plaintiff-Intervenor Marlene Caride, Acting Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking & Insurance ("Commissioner")¹, and Kamel Kazan, D.C. and Paterson Chiropractic Center, P.C. (collectively, "Defendants") have reached an amicable agreement resolving the issues in controversy and consent to the entry of the within Stipulation of Settlement; and

This action was commenced on behalf of Richard J. Badolato, former Commissioner of the Department of Banking and Insurance ("Department"). Pursuant to R. 4:34-4, the caption has been revised to reflect the current Acting Commissionor of the Department.

WHEREAS the Commissioner filed a Complaint alleging that Defendants violated the Insurance Fraud Prevention Act, N.J.S.A. 17:33A-1, et seq. ("IFPA");

WHEREAS pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(d), Defendants neither admit nor deny these allegations, but consent to a civil penalty; and

WHEREAS IT IS STIPULATED AND AGREED that Defendants, jointly and severally, shall pay the sum of \$150,000.00 ("Settlement Amount") to the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance, which consists of a civil penalty in the amount of \$100,000.00 in accordance with N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5b, a \$7,500.00 surcharge in accordance with N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5.1, and attorney's fees in the amount of \$42,500.00 in accordance with N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5b; and

IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED AND AGREED that Defendants shall pay the settlement amount as follows:

1. Upon execution of this Stipulation of Settlement, Defendants shall immediately pay \$15,000.00 by certified check, bank check or money order made payable to "Commissioner, New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance" and send to:

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2. Beginning on or before March 1, 2018, and continuing thereafter on or before the 1st of each month, for each of the next forty-five (45) months, Defendants shall pay the amount of \$3,000.00 (for a total of \$135,000.00 paid) by certified check, bank check, or money order payable to the "Commissioner, New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance" and send to:

Commissioner, NJ Department of Banking and Insurance Attn: Rose McGill, Collections 20 West State Street, 10th Floor P.O. Box 325 Trenton, NJ 08625

- 3. Defendants further consent to the entry and docketing of
 a Consent Judgment against them in the amount of
 \$150,000.00 in conjunction with this Stipulation of
 Settlement; and
- 4. If Defendants fail to make any scheduled payment within ten (10) days of its due date, the Commissioner may, upon notice to Defendants, declare the entire balance outstanding to be immediately due and payable. Thereafter, Commissioner may take any action available under the laws of this State to collect the amount outstanding at that time, plus post-judgment interest from the date of the judgment, attorneys' fees and any other remedies available under the law; and

IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED AND AGREED that nothing in this Stipulation of Settlement shall prejudice or shall be construed as prejudicing the authority of any other agency or instrumentality of this State; and

IT IS FURTHER HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED that this Stipulation of Settlement can be used in any subsequent civil or administrative proceeding by any licensing authority; and

IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED AND AGREED that in the event full payment of the Settlement Amount is not made, the Commissioner may exercise any and all remedies available by law, including, but not limited to, recovery of any unpaid penalties pursuant to the Penalty Enforcement Law, N.J.S.A. 2A:58-10, et seq.; and

IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED AND AGREED that upon the full repayment of the Settlement Amount, counsel for Commissioner will file with the clerk of the court the warrant of satisfaction of the judgment; and

IT IS FURTHER HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED that the penalties of this Stipulation of Settlement are imposed pursuant to the police powers of the State of New Jersey, for the enforcement of the law and protection of the public health, safety, and welfare, and are not intended to constitute debts which may be limited or discharged in a bankruptcy proceeding.

CONSENTED AS TO FORM, CONTENT AND ENTRY:

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Dated: 2-20-18

By:

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Dated: 2-15-18

Kamel Kazan, D.C., Individually

and on behalf of Paterson Chiropractic Center, P.C.

Dated: 2-16-2018

Gerard Vince, Esq.

Attorney for Defendants

Kamel Kazan, D.C. and Paterson

Chiropractic Center, P.C.