## STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF BANKING AND INSURANCE

IN THE MATTER OF:

Proceedings by the Commissioner of Banking and Insurance, State of New Jersey, to fine Sano Partners Inc.	)	
	)	CONSENT ORDER
	)	ONDER

To: Sano Partners Inc. 2502 Gayle Ct. Northbrook, IL 60662

This matter, having been opened by the Commissioner of Banking and Insurance, State of New Jersey ("Commissioner"), upon information that Sano Partners Inc ("Respondent"), a third-party billing service in New Jersey certified by the Commissioner on February 06, 2023, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17B:27B-1 to -25, may have violated provisions of the insurance laws of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17B:27B-1, a third-party billing service is defined as a person or entity that is paid by a health care provider to process claims or claims payments on behalf of the health care provider; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17B:27B-16, no person shall act as a third-party billing service without being certified by the Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, Respondent transacted business in New Jersey as a third-party billing service beginning January 11, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Respondent did not submit an application for certification as a third-party billing service until December 31, 2022 and certification was granted on February 6, 2023; and WHEREAS, cause does exist under N.J.S.A. 17B:27B-24 for the imposition of a civil penalty for the aforementioned violation of the insurance laws of this State; and

WHEREAS, Respondent has waived its right to a hearing on the aforementioned violation and consents to imposition of a civil penalty in the amount of twenty-five thousand eight hundred dollars (\$25,800.00), pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17B:27B-24; and

WHEREAS, this matter should be resolved upon the consent of the parties without resort to a formal hearing on the aforementioned violation;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS on this 19 day of April , 2023

ORDERED AND AGREED, that Respondent shall pay a civil penalty totaling

\$25,800.00; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND AGREED, that said fine shall be paid by certified check, cashier's check or money order made payable to the "State of New Jersey, General Treasury," which shall be paid upon execution of this Consent Order by Respondent; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND AGREED that the signed Consent Order, together with the fine payment of \$25,800.00, shall be remitted to:

New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance Attention: Virgil Dowtin - Chief of Investigations 9<sup>th</sup> Floor, Consumer Protection Services, Enforcement P. O. Box 329 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-329

And

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND AGREED, that in the event full payment of the civil penalty is not made in accordance with this Order, the Commissioner may exercise any and all remedies available by law, including but not limited to, recovery of any unpaid penalties in summary proceedings, in accordance with the penalty enforcement law, N.J.S.A. 2A:58-10 to 12; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND AGREED, that the provisions of this Consent Order represent a final agency decision and constitute a final resolution of the violations contained herein.

> Marlene Caride Commissioner

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Consented to as to Form, **Entry and Content:** 

Sano Partners Inc.

Date: 04/07/2023