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BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

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Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Bureau of Corporations and
Charitable Organizations

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Docket No.: 0117 -98-17

v.

File No.: 15-98-08673
17-98-00707

Residential Programs, Inc.,
Respondent

CONSENT AGREEMENT AND ORDER

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Bureau of Corporations and Charitable Organizations ("Bureau"), by and through its undersigned prosecuting attorney, Michael J. Gennett and Residential Programs, Inc. ("Respondent"), by and through its undersigned counsel, stipulate as follows in settlement of the above-captioned matter:

JURISDICTION

1. This matter is before the Secretary of the Commonwealth ("Secretary") pursuant to the Solicitation of Funds for Charitable Purposes Act, Act of December 19, 1990, P.L. 1200, No. 202, *as amended* ("Act"), 10 P.S. §§ 162.1 *et. seq.*

2. At all relevant and material times, Respondent acted as a professional solicitor as defined by the Act.

STIPULATED FACTS

3. Respondent is a corporation, incorporated in the State of New Jersey on January 6, 2010.
4. Respondent is registered with the New Jersey Department of the Treasury as a domestic profit corporation, entity number 0101006097.
5. Respondent's last known address on file with the Bureau is 12 Christopher Way, Suite 200, Eatontown, NJ 07724.
6. Respondent is a professional solicitor as defined by the Act.
7. At all relevant and material times, Respondent held a registration with the Bureau to provide professional solicitor services to charitable organizations within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania under registration number 40217.
8. Respondent admits that the following allegations are true:
 - a. Respondent employed seven (7) individuals to conduct solicitations in Pennsylvania who were convicted of felonies, or misdemeanors involving dishonesty.

AGREED VIOLATIONS

9. Respondent admits and agrees that by engaging in the aforementioned activities, Respondent committed violations of the Act as follows:
 - a. Violating Respondent violated the Act at Section 15(a)(1), 10 P.S. § 162.15(a)(1), by and through Section 9(q)(1), 10 P.S. § 162.9(q)(1), by employing individuals to conduct solicitations in Pennsylvania who have been convicted by a court of any state or the United States of any felony, or of any misdemeanor involving dishonesty or arising from the conduct of a solicitation for a charitable organization or purpose.

PROPOSED ORDER

10. The participants, intending to be legally bound, consent to issuance of the following Order in settlement of this matter:

a. Respondent violated the Act at Section 15(a)(1), 10 P.S. § 162.15(a)(1), by and through Section 9(q)(1), 10 P.S. § 162.9(q)(1), by employing individuals to conduct solicitations in Pennsylvania who have been convicted by a court of any state or the United States of any felony, or of any misdemeanor involving dishonesty or arising from the conduct of a solicitation for a charitable organization or purpose.

ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES

11. An **ADMINISTRATIVE FINE** of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000.00) is levied upon Respondent. Respondent shall tender the full sum of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000.00), with this executed Consent Agreement.

a. Payment shall be by **certified check, cashier's check, attorney's check, or U.S. Postal money order.**

b. The instrument of payment shall be **made payable to the "Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,"** and shall be valid for a period of at least one hundred eighty (180) days.

c. Respondent agrees that payment will be made by one of the methods indicated in subparagraph (a) above and that payment by uncertified personal check, corporate check or cash will not be accepted.

CASE SETTLED AND DISCONTINUED

12. This agreement resolves all claims by the Bureau against Respondent, specifically claims involving violations of the Act at Section 15(a)(1), 10 P.S. § 162.15(a)(1), by and through Section 9(q)(1), 10 P.S. § 162.9(q)(1), pertaining to the list of individuals submitted to the Commonwealth and employed by Respondent at all relevant times herein to conduct solicitations within the Commonwealth. This case shall be deemed settled and discontinued upon the Secretary issuing an Order adopting this Consent Agreement and the Respondent's successful completion of the requirements of this Order. However, nothing in this Consent Agreement and Order shall preclude the Prosecuting Attorney for the Bureau from filing charges or the Secretary from imposing disciplinary or corrective measures for violations or facts not contained in this Consent Agreement and Order.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF NOTICE AND WAIVER OF HEARING

13. Respondent waives the filing of an Order to Show Cause in this matter. Respondent knowingly and voluntarily waives the right to an administrative hearing in this matter, and to the following rights related to the hearing: to be represented by counsel at the hearing; to present witnesses and testimony in defense or in mitigation of any sanction that may be imposed for a violation; to cross-examine witnesses and to challenge evidence presented by the Bureau; to present legal arguments by means of a brief; and to take an appeal from any final adverse decision.

AGREEMENT NOT BINDING ON OTHER PARTIES

14. This Consent Agreement is between the Bureau and Respondent only. It does not bind any other administrative or governmental entity of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,

including any other bureau within the Department of State. Except as otherwise noted, this Agreement is to have no legal effect if (a) the Office of General Counsel expresses an objection to the Agreement's form or legality and/or (b) unless and until the Secretary issues the stipulated Order.

EFFECT OF SECRETARY'S REJECTION

15. Should the Secretary not approve this Consent Agreement, presentation to and consideration of this Consent Agreement and other documents and matters by the Secretary shall not prejudice the Secretary from further participation in the adjudication of this matter. This paragraph is binding on the participants even if the Secretary does not approve this Consent Agreement.

ENTIRE AGREEMENT

16. This Agreement contains the whole agreement between the parties; provided, however, that the captions printed in the various provisions of this agreement are for ease of reading only and are not to be interpreted as forming any part of this agreement. There are no other terms, obligations, covenants, representations, statements or conditions, or otherwise, of any kind whatsoever, concerning this Agreement.


AGREEMENT DOES NOT PREVENT REFERRAL TO OTHER AGENCIES

17. The parties acknowledge that other federal, state, and/or local agencies may have jurisdiction over the activities of, or representations made by, Respondent and its officers, directors, agents, employees or independent contractors. Nothing in this Consent Agreement or

the Order based upon this Consent Agreement shall preclude representatives of the Bureau from referring any information or data produced as a result of this matter to any federal, state, or local agency or governmental unit having jurisdiction over the activities of Respondent or any officer, director, agent, employee or independent contractor of the Respondent.

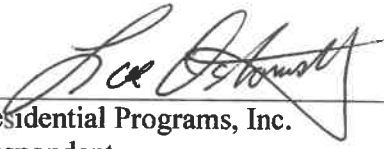
VERIFICATION OF FACTS AND STATEMENTS

18. Respondent verifies that the facts and statements set forth in this Agreement are true and correct to the best of Respondent's knowledge, information and belief. Respondent understands that statements in this Agreement are made subject to the criminal penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.




Michael J. Gennett, Esquire
Prosecuting Attorney
Department of State

DATED: 30 AUG 2017



Residential Programs, Inc.
Respondent
By: Lee Ostrowsky
Title: President

DATED: 8/24/17



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DATED: 8. 28.17



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ORDER

AND NOW, this 6th day of September 2017, the foregoing Consent Agreement is hereby approved and the terms set forth in paragraph 10 are hereby adopted and incorporated herein as the Order of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, now issued in resolution of this matter.

THIS ORDER shall take effect immediately.

BY ORDER:

Handwritten signature of Pedro A. Cortés in black ink.

Pedro A. Cortés
Secretary of the Commonwealth

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