# STATE OF INDIANA INDIANA CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION

| THOMAS JORDAN,    | ) ICRC NO.: PAha19040234 |
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| Complainant,      | <b>}</b>                 |
| VS.               | A DATE FILED             |
| 8 SECONDS SALOON, | OCT 2 1 2019             |
| Respondent.       | ICRC<br>COMMISSION       |

# FINAL ORDER

On September 19, 2019, Hon. Caroline A. Stephens Ryker, Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") for the Indiana Civil Rights Commission ("ICRC") issued her Initial Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order ("Order"). The Parties had opportunity to object to the Order, and neither Complainant not Respondent objected. IC 4-21.5-3-29. After due consideration of the complete record in this matter, the Commission adopts the following and HEREBY Orders:

### THE COMMISSION HEREBY ORDERS:

- 1. The findings of fact and conclusions of law as stated in the Order, a copy of which is attached hereto, are incorporated herein by reference. IC 4-21.5-3-28(g)(2).
- 2. The Order is AFFIRMED under IC 4-21.5-3-29 and hereby becomes the Final Order disposing of the proceedings. IC 4-21.5-3-27(a).

Either party to a dispute filed under IC 22-9 may, not more than thirty (30) days after the date of receipt of the Commission's final appealable order, appeal to the court of appeals under the same terms, conditions, and standards that govern appeals in ordinary civil actions. IC 22-9-8-1.

| ORDERED by | the Commission majority vote of Commissioners on this |
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| 18         | day of October ,2019                                  |
|            | Jes J. Janes  |
|            | Chair Steven A. Ramos Indiana Civil Rights Commission |
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| 8 SECONDS SALOON,  Respondent. | OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE |  |

## INITIAL FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND ORDER

On September 11, 2019, Thomas Jordan ("Complainant") filed "Complainant's Motion to Dismiss Complaint with Prejudice" ("Motion"), and on September 13, 2019, 8 Seconds Salon ("Respondent") filed its Motion, "No Objection to Complainant's Motion to Dismiss Complaint with Prejudice." Having carefully considered the foregoing and being duly advised in the premises, the undersigned Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") for the Indiana Civil Rights Commission ("ICRC") issues the following initial findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order.

### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Complainant filed a Complaint of Discrimination with the ICRC on April 23, 2019 naming Respondent and alleging unlawful discrimination on the basis of disability with respect to a public accommodation in violation of the Indiana Civil Rights Law, Ind. Code 22-9 ("the ICRL").
- 2. On August 19, 2019, the ICRC issued a Notice of Finding, finding probable cause to believe a violation of the ICRL had occurred.
- 3. The Parties have reached a settlement agreement, and accordingly, Complainant is moving for the matter's dismissal, to which Respondent has no objection.
  - 4. Complainant filed the Motion before a date for a Hearing was set.
- 5. There is no evidence of fraud, coercion, duress, or any other reason not to grant the requested dismissal.
- 6. Any Conclusion of Law that should have been deemed a Finding of Fact is hereby adopted as such.

## **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. The Commission has jurisdiction over the subject matter and the Parties.
- 2. The Parties did not file a "consent agreement" that requires the approval and signature of a majority of the Commissioners and that is enforceable as a final order. IC 22-9-1-6(o); 910 IAC 1-3-4.
- 3. If a Hearing date has been set prior to a request to withdraw or dismiss a complaint, then the complaint may only be withdrawn with the written consent of the majority of the Commission. 910 IAC 1-2-6. As no Hearing date was set in this matter, the complaint may be withdrawn without the consent of the Commission.
  - 4. Accordingly, the "...[c]omplaint may be withdrawn at the discretion of the Complainant." *Id*.
- 5. Any Finding of Fact that should have been deemed a Conclusion of Law is hereby adopted as such.

#### ORDER

- 1. Complainant's Motion to Dismiss Complaint with Prejudice is GRANTED.
- 2. Thomas Jordan's Complaint of Discrimination is DISMISSED, with prejudice.
- 3. All previously set deadlines, conferences, and hearings are hereby VACATED.
- 4. Administrative review of these Initial Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order may be obtained by parties not in default by the filing of a writing identifying with reasonable particularity each basis of each objection within fifteen (15) days after service of this decision. IC 4-21.5-3-29(d). Subject to IC 4-21.5-3-1, the filing of a document in proceedings before the ICRC can be completed by mail, personal service, fax, or electronic mail to:

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A party shall serve copies of any filed item on all parties. IC 4-21.5-3-17(c). This order becomes the final order disposing of the proceedings immediately upon affirmation under IC 4-21.5-3-29. IC 4-21.5-3-27(a). The Commission shall review this Order at the next public Commission Meeting scheduled after the expiration of the fifteen (15) day objection period.

Dated this 16th day of September, 2019

Hon. Caroline A. Stephens Ryker Administrative Law Judge Indiana Civil Rights Commission 100 North Senate Avenue, Room N300 Indianapolis, IN 46204-2255 Anehita Eromosele, Docket Clerk 317/234-6358

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