DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Heber M. Wells Building, 2ND FLOOR 160 EAST 300 SOUTH, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH 84114

DEFORE THE DIVISION OF CONSUMER PROTECTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE OF THE STATE OF UTAH

IN THE MATTER OF:

IMMIGRANT RESCUE CENTER, a Utah corporation;

NELDA ISABEL JOHNSON, an individual, director, and president of **IMMIGRANT RESCUE CENTER**; and

STACEY AUSTIN JOHNSON, an individual;

Respondents.

FIRST AMENDED ORDER OF ADJUDICATION NUNC PRO TUNC

DCP Legal File No. CP-2024-044

DCP Case No. 142522

The informal adjudicative proceeding in the above matter was held on February 25, 2025, at the offices of the Division of Consumer Protection. The Division was represented by Investigators Ao Pauga and Michelle Tovar. Respondent Nelda Isabel Johnson appeared on behalf of herself and Immigrant Rescue Center. Respondent Stacey Austin Johnson appeared on his own behalf. On May 2, 2025, the Division Director on behalf of the Utah Division of Consumer Protection issued an original Order of Adjudication. Pursuant to Utah Administrative Code R151-4-803, the Division Director Amends the original Order of Adjudication Nunc Pro Tunc.

BY THE DIRECTOR:

Katherine Hass, Director of the Division of Consumer Protection, having reviewed the Administrative Law Judge's findings of fact, conclusions of law, and

recommended order. The Director hereby adopts the findings of fact and conclusions of law in their entirety except for the amount of the administrative fine as referenced in this Order, and the recommended order in part.

ORDER

It is HEREBY ORDERED:

- 1. Respondents Immigrant Rescue Center, Nelda Isabel Johnson, and Stacey
 Austin Johnson are found to have violated the *Immigration Consultants Registration Act*("ICRA"), Utah Code § 13-49-101 et seq., five times, and are ordered to pay, jointly and severally, an administrative fine in the amount of \$15,000 instead of the \$25,000 suggested by the recommended order.
- 2. Respondent Stacey Austin Johnson is found, individually, to have violated the ICRA one additional time, and the *Utah Consumer Sales Practices Act* ("UCSPA"), Utah Code § 13-11-1 et seq., one time. Respondent Stacey Austin Johnson is ordered to pay an administrative fine of \$2,500 for his violation of the ICRA, and \$2,500 for his violation of the UCSPA.
- 3. Respondents are all ordered to cease and desist from any act in violation of the ICRA and the UCSPA.
- 4. The fines imposed by this order may be filed and entered with the appropriate court as a civil judgment.

Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. § 13-2-6(2), a person who has notice of this final cease and desist order and intentionally violates any provision contained therein is guilty of a third degree felony.

Execution Date Ms 2, 2025 (Effective Date May 2, 2025)

UTAH DIVISION OF CONSUMER PROTECTION

KATHERINE HASS, DIVISION

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

Agency review of this order may be obtained by filing a written request for agency review with the Executive Director of the Department of Commerce, 160 East 300 South, Box 146701, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-6701, within thirty (30) days after the date of this order. The agency action in this case was an informal proceeding. The laws and rules governing agency review of this proceeding are found in Section 63G-4-101 et seq. of the Utah Code, and Rule 151-4 of the Utah Administrative Code.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this 19 day of August, 2025, served the foregoing ORDER OF ADJUDICATION on the parties of record in this proceeding set forth below by first class U.S. mail and/or electronic mail to:

The Respondents:

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