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## STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS MICHIGAN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING SYSTEM Christopher Seppanen Executive Director

SHELLY EDGERTON



Date Mailed: December 9, 2016 MAHS Docket No.: 16-010762

Agency No.: Petitioner: OIG

Respondent:

## ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Zainab A. Baydoun

## ORDER GRANTING ADJOURNMENT

Upon the request for a hearing by the Department of Human Services (Department), this matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9, and in accordance with Titles 7, 42 and 45 of the Code of Federal Regulation (CFR), particularly 7 CFR 273.16, and with Mich Admin Code, R 400.3130 and R 400.3178. After due notice, a telephone hearing was held on Michigan. The Department was represented by Michigan. The Department was represented by Regulation Agent of the Office of Inspector General (OIG). Respondent did not appear at the hearing; and it was held in Respondent's absence pursuant to 7 CFR 273.16(e), Mich Admin Code R 400.3130(5), or Mich Admin Code R 400.3178(5).

After the closure of the record in this matter, it was discovered that the Notice of Disqualification Hearing that was mailed to Respondent at the address identified by the Department, and that constituted due notice, was returned to the Michigan Administrative Hearing System (MAHS) by the United States Postal Service as undeliverable. MAHS must give advance written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. BAM 600 (October 2016), p. 33.

Because the returned Notice of Hearing was not made available prior to the hearing and an inquiry into whether the address provided by the Department was the best available for Respondent was not made during the hearing, it was uncertain that Respondent was given the possibility of receiving proper notice of the FAP IPV hearing and the opportunity to defend herself. As such, the undersigned Administrative Law Judge has found that good cause exists to adjourn the hearing in this matter. Should the Department determine that a more current mailing address is available for Respondent, it is requested that the Department notify MAHS of the updated mailing address.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED** that this hearing is hereby **ADJOURNED** and will be rescheduled for hearing with notice provided to parties in accordance with applicable law and policy.

ZB/tlf

Zainab A. Baydoun
Administrative Law Judge
for Nick Lyon, Director
Department of Health and Human Services

**NOTICE OF APPEAL**: A party may appeal this Order in circuit court within 30 days of the receipt date. A copy of the circuit court appeal must be filed with the Michigan Administrative Hearing System.

DHHS

Respondent

Via Email

