



Department of
Cannabis Control
CALIFORNIA

Office of the General Counsel
2920 Kilgore Road
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

July 18, 2025
VIA EMAIL ONLY

SURVIVORMEDZ, A COOPERATIVE
CORPORATION dba RELEAF MEDS;
Anthony Cioe, Owner
618 Pine Street
Ramona, CA 92065
tcioe@yahoo.com

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Law Offices of Quintin G. Shammam
2221 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 207
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Re: The Citation Against: SURVIVORMEDZ dba RELEAF MEDS
Case No. DCC24-0000162-INV
Order Adopting Stipulated Settlement of Citation and Order as Final Decision

Dear Messrs. Cioe and Shammam:

Pursuant to section 11415.60 of the Government Code, attached please find a copy of the Department of Cannabis Control's Order Adopting Stipulated Settlement and Order as the Final Decision in the above-referenced matter involving SURVIVORMEDZ dba RELEAF MEDS. According to the Order of the Final Decision, Respondent shall make two separate payments: (1) an administrative fine payment of \$5,000.00; and (2) a payment for costs of \$2,500.00.

The Department's Final Decision and Order will be effective on August 18, 2025. Pursuant to this Final Decision and its stipulated settlement, SURVIVORMEDZ dba RELEAF MEDS has waived any right to reconsideration or appeal in this matter and to receive a copy of the Decision and Order via certified, registered, or first-class mail.

Sincerely,

Douglas Smurr
Assistant General Counsel
info@cannabis.ca.gov
www.cannabis.ca.gov

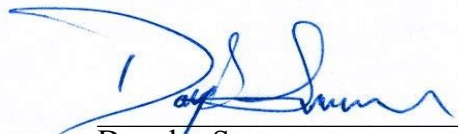
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8 **BEFORE THE**
9 **DEPARTMENT OF CANNABIS CONTROL**
10 **OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

11 In the Matter of the Citation Against:) CASE NO. DCC24-0000162-INV
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13 SURVIVORMEDZ, A COOPERATIVE) **ORDER ADOPTING STIPULATED**
14 CORPORATION, dba RELEAF MEDS;) **SETTLEMENT AND ORDER AS FINAL**
15 Anthony Cioe, Owner) **DECISION**
16 618 Pine Street.)
17 Ramona, CA 92065)
18 Cannabis - Retailer License No.)
19 C10-0000546-LIC)
20 Respondent.)

21 Pursuant to Government Code section 11415.60, the Department of Cannabis Control
22 hereby adopts the attached Stipulated Settlement of Citation and Order as its Final Decision in
23 this matter.

24 This Order and Final Decision shall become effective on August 18, 2025.

25 IT IS SO ORDERED, July 18, 2025.

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Assistant General Counsel
FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CANNABIS CONTROL

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Case No. DCC24-0000162-INV

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14 **ANTHONY COIE, OWNER**
15 **618 Pine Street**
16 **Ramona, CA 92065**

STIPULATED SETTLEMENT OF
CITATION AND ORDER

17 **Cannabis – Retailer License Number**
18 **C10-0000546-LIC**

Respondent.

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20 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the above-
21 entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:

22 **PARTIES**

23 1. Evelyn Schaeffer (Complainant) is the Deputy Director of the Compliance Division
24 of the Department of Cannabis Control (Department). She brought this action solely in her
25 official capacity and is represented in this matter by Rob Bonta, Attorney General of the State of
26 California, by Gregory M. Cribbs, Supervising Deputy Attorney General.

27 2. Survivormedz, A Cooperative Corporation dba Releaf Meds (Respondent), and its
28 owner Anthony Coie, are represented in this proceeding by attorney Quintin G. Shammam, Esq.

1 of the Law Offices of Quintin G. Shammam, whose address is: 2221 Camino Del Rio South,
2 Suite 207, San Diego, California 92108. Respondent is acting in this proceeding through
3 Anthony Coie, Owner, and he has been designated and authorized by Respondent to enter into
4 this agreement on behalf of Respondent.

5 3. On or about August 9, 2019, the Department issued Cannabis – Retailer License
6 Number C10-0000546-LIC to Respondent. The Cannabis – Retailer License was last renewed on
7 August 8, 2024, was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the violations cited in Citation
8 No. DCC24-0000162-INV, and will expire on August 8, 2025, unless renewed.

9 **JURISDICTION**

10 4. Citation No. DCC24-0000162-INV was filed before the Department and is currently
11 pending against Respondent. The Citation and all other statutorily required documents were
12 properly served on Respondent on June 11, 2024. Respondent timely filed its request for a
13 hearing contesting the Citation.

14 5. A true and correct copy of Citation No. DCC24-0000162-INV is attached as Exhibit 1
15 and incorporated herein by reference.

16 **ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS**

17 6. Respondent and its current owners of record and members have carefully read, fully
18 discussed with counsel, and fully understand the violations found in Citation No. DCC24-
19 0000162-INV. Respondent and its current owners of record and members have also carefully
20 read, fully discussed with counsel, and fully understand the effects of this Stipulated Settlement
21 of Citation.

22 7. Respondent is fully aware of all legal rights in this matter, including the right to a
23 hearing on the violations found in the Citation; the right to confront and cross-examine the
24 witnesses against them; the right to present evidence and to testify on its own behalf; the right to
25 the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of
26 documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other
27 rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.

28 8. Respondent is fully aware of its legal rights to receive a copy of the Decision and
Order via certified, registered, or first-class mail. Respondent agrees to receive a copy of the

Decision and Order in this matter via email at the following email addresses: tcioe@yahoo.com and quintin@shammamlaw.com.

9. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

CULPABILITY

10. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Citation No. DCC24-0000162-INV.

11. Respondent agrees that Cannabis – Retailer License No. C10-0000546-LIC is subject to fines and agrees to be bound by the Department’s imposition of and administrative fine and terms set forth in the Order below.

CONTINGENCY

12. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Department. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Department may communicate directly with the Department regarding this stipulated settlement, without notice to or participation by Respondent or its counsel. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that it may not withdraw its agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Department considers and acts upon it. If the Department fails to adopt this stipulation as the Decision and Order, the Stipulated Settlement of Citation shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Department shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.

OTHER MATTERS

13. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile copies of this Stipulated Settlement of Citation, including PDF and facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.

14. This Stipulated Settlement of Citation and Order may be signed in any number of counterparts, each of which is an original and all of which taken together form one single document.

15. This Stipulated Settlement of Citation and Order is intended by the parties to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement.

It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions, negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Settlement of Citation and Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.

16. In consideration of the foregoing stipulations, the parties agree that the Department may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Order:

ORDER

1. **WITHDRAWAL OF APPEAL.** Respondent's appeal of Citation No. DCC24-0000162-INV and request for an administrative hearing are deemed withdrawn and further appeals are waived.

2. **PAYMENT OF FINE.** Respondent shall pay an administrative fine in the amount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00). The administrative fine shall be paid within thirty (30) days of the effective date of the Decision and Order.

3. **PAYMENT OF COSTS OF ENFORCEMENT.** Respondent shall pay to the Department costs associated with its investigation and enforcement pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 26031.5 and California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 17813, in the amount of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00). The cost payment shall be paid within thirty (30) days of the effective date of the Decision and Order.

4. The above referenced payments, in the form of cashier's check, money order, personal or business check, shall be made as two separate payments and remitted by either of the following methods: (1) the Department of Cannabis Control's cash payment procedures; or, (2) mailed to:

By U.S. Postal Service:
Department of Cannabis Control
Attn: Cashiers
P.O. Box 419106
Ranch Cordova, CA 95741-9106

By FedEx or UPS:
Department of Cannabis Control
Attn: Cashiers
2920 Kilgore Road
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670-9106

6. Failure to complete the payments or comply with the terms of this Order shall also result in Respondent's immediate obligation and responsibility to pay the full amount of the Department's costs of investigation and enforcement pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 26031 and California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 17813, in the amount of three thousand seven hundred twenty dollars and seventy-five cents (\$3,720.75), less any partial payments received prior to the failure to complete payments or comply with the terms of this Order and will result in enforcement of the Order in the Superior Court.

I have carefully read the Stipulated Settlement of Citation and Order and have fully discussed it with my attorney, Quintin G. Shammam, Esq. I understand the stipulation and the effect it will have on my Cannabis – Retailer License No. C10-0000546-LIC. I enter into this Stipulated Settlement of Citation and Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Order of the Department of Cannabis Control.

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1 I have read and fully discussed with Respondent Survivormedz, A Cooperative Corporation
2 dba Releaf Meds, and its Owner Anthony Coie, the terms and conditions and other matters
3 contained in this Stipulated Settlement of Citation and Order. I approve its form and content.

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5 DATED: 6/9/2025

DocuSigned by:

QUINTIN SHAMMAM

QUINTIN G. SHAMMAM, ESQ.
Attorney for Respondent

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10 **ENDORSEMENT**

11 The foregoing Stipulated Settlement of Citation and Order is hereby respectfully submitted
12 for consideration by the Department of Cannabis Control.

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14 DATED: June 9, 2025

Respectfully submitted,

15 ROB BONTA
16 Attorney General of California
17 HARINDER K. KAPUR
Supervising Deputy Attorney General

18 *Gregory M. Cribbs*

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20 Supervising Deputy Attorney General
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Exhibit 1

Citation No. DCC24-0000162-INV



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CALIFORNIA

Gavin Newsom
Governor

Nicole Elliott
Director

CITATION, FINE and ORDER OF ABATEMENT
Business and Professions Code, § 26031.5
California Code of Regulations, Title 4, §§ 17802-17804

Case Number: DCC24-0000162-INV

Date Issued	January 30, 2024
Issued To	Anthony M. Cioe
Address of Service	36374 Montezuma Valley Rd, Ranchita, CA 92066
Date and Method of Service	Certified Mail
License Number	C10-0000546-LIC

Business and Professions Code section 26031.5 provides the Department of Cannabis Control (Department) the statutory authority to issue a citation, including fines and orders of abatement, to a licensee or unlicensed person for any act or omission that violates or has violated any provision of the Medicinal and Adult-Use Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act (MAUCRSA) or any regulation adopted pursuant thereto. You are being issued this citation for the following violations of MAUCRSA (Bus. & Prof. Code (BPC), § 26000 et seq.) and the Department's regulations. (Cal. Code Regs. (CCR), tit. 4, § 15000 et seq.)

VIOLATION	VIOLATION DATE(S)	AMOUNT OF FINE PER VIOLATION	TOTAL AMOUNT OF FINE FOR VIOLATION
1. Business and Professions Code section 26039.3; California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 17801.5, subdivision (g)	November 10, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, and 22, 2023	up to \$10,000 per transaction	\$100,000

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Violation 1.

CCR, title 4, section 17801.5, subdivision (g) prohibits a licensee or product owner from removing from embargo, selling, or disposing of any cannabis or cannabis products under embargo without written permission of the Department or a court. Each item removed, sold, or disposed of without written permission of the Department or a court constitutes a separate violation of the MAUCRSA.

On November 9, 2023, the Department placed cannabis products under embargo pursuant to BPC section 26039.3. The basis for placing these items under embargo was that the Department found or had probable cause to believe the cannabis or cannabis products were adulterated or the sale of the embargoed items would violate the MAUCRSA.

The Department issued an initial notice of embargo to Survivormedz, A Cooperative Corporation (Licensee) on November 9, 2023, by email indicating that "CRU CANNABIS -- MAI TAI" Disposable Vape Pens from METRC Batch No. 1A40603000020EC000009978 were under embargo and could not be sold, disposed of, or removed without written permission from the Department or a court. On November 20, 2023, the Department sent to the Licensee a follow up email that informed the Licensee that embargoed cannabis products had been sold or adjusted and reiterated that the cannabis products placed under embargo may not be sold, disposed of, or removed without written permission of the Department or a court.

On January 24, 2024, Department staff conducted a review of Licensee's California Cannabis Track and Trace (CCTT) account, which reflected that Licensee had sold a total of ten units of the embargoed product on November 10, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, and 22, 2023. The Department did not authorize or approve Licensee to sell or dispose of the embargoed items, nor to remove the embargoed items from embargo. As a result, the Licensee failed to comply with the Department's November 9, 2023, embargo and violated the requirements of BPC section 26039.3 and CCR, title 4, section 17801.5, subdivision (g).

ADMINISTRATIVE FINE ASSESSED

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 26031.5, the Department may assess a fine not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per violation by a licensee or thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) per violation by an unlicensed person. Each day of violation shall constitute a separate violation.



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In person: at one of our office locations with exact cash, cashier's check, money order, or a personal or business check

- To schedule an in-person payment appointment, email us:
payments@cannabis.ca.gov
- Or call us at: 1-844-61-CA-DCC (1-844-612-2322)

By mail: cashier's check, money order, personal or business check

- U.S. Postal Service: PO Box 419106, Rancho Cordova, CA 95741
- FedEx or UPS: 2920 Kilgore Road, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

Failure to pay the full amount of the administrative fine within thirty (30) days from the date of service of the citation, unless you appeal the citation, is a separate violation and may result in additional action by the Department. Licenses shall not be renewed or granted if fines are not paid and unpaid fines will be added to license renewal fees.

In the instant matter, an administrative fine(s) in the total amount of \$100,000 is assessed against Anthony M. Cioe in accordance with Business and Professions Code section 26031.5.

ORDER OF ABATEMENT

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 26031.5, a citation may include an order of abatement and fix a reasonable time for abatement of the violation. You are ordered to:

1. Immediately cease and desist from violating California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 17801.5, subdivision (g). The Licensee shall comply with the Department's November 9, 2023 embargo by terminating any further sale or disposal of the embargoed items without prior Department approval.

You must abate the violation(s) and provide evidence of abatement to the Department no later than February 14, 2024. Failure to abate the violation(s) within the time allowed, unless the violation is being appealed, shall constitute a separate violation and may result in denial of an application for



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licensure or renewal of a license, disciplinary action, or further administrative or civil proceedings. If you are unable to complete the correction within the time provided because of conditions beyond your control after the exercise of reasonable diligence, you may request an extension of time in which to correct the violation. The request shall be made in writing and submitted to the Department, at Samantha.Lehnhoff@cannabis.ca.gov within the time set forth for abatement. The time to abate or correct may be extended for good cause.

APPEALING THE CITATION

To appeal the citation, you may request an informal conference with the Department, or request a formal hearing to contest the citation before an Administrative Law Judge, or both. Requests must be submitted in writing in accordance with the timeframes specified below or the right to a hearing is waived. If a hearing is not requested, payment of a fine will not constitute an admission of the violation charged.

INFORMAL CONFERENCE

You may request an informal conference with the Department regarding the acts or omissions found in the citation in accordance with California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 17803, subdivision (b). During an informal conference, you may present evidence supporting an adjustment to the citation and/or fine(s). The Department may affirm, modify, or dismiss the citation, including any fines assessed or orders of abatement issued. The informal conference may also resolve any matters relating to the citation through a settlement agreement.

To request an informal conference, your request must be in writing and submitted to the Department at Samantha.Lehnhoff@cannabis.ca.gov, within 15 calendar days from service of this citation. The informal conference may be conducted by telephone, through a virtual platform, or in person, at the Department's Headquarters, located at 2920 Kilgore Road, Rancho Cordova, California 95670. The informal conference will be held within 15 calendar days from receipt of the written request by the Department.

Requesting an informal conference does not stay or toll the running of the 30-day period for you to request a formal hearing to contest the citation before an Administrative Law Judge. You should request an informal conference as soon as possible if you would like to allow time to hold the conference prior to the deadline for contesting the citation as the time to contest a citation does not stop if you request an informal conference.



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At the conclusion of the informal conference, a written decision stating the reasons for the decision will be mailed to you within 15 calendar days from the date of the informal conference, which shall be deemed a final order. If the citation is dismissed, any request for a formal hearing shall be deemed withdrawn. If the citation is affirmed or modified, you may either withdraw the request for a formal hearing or proceed with the hearing. If the citation is modified, the original citation shall be considered withdrawn and a new citation issued. A request for a formal hearing on the new citation must be submitted to the Department in writing within 30 calendar days of issuance of the new citation.

CONTESTING THE CITATION

You have a right to contest the finding of a violation before an Administrative Law Judge by requesting a formal hearing. To request a formal hearing, your request must be in writing and submitted to the Department within 30 calendar days from service of the citation. If a request is not received by the Department within 30 calendar days, the right to a hearing is waived, and the citation becomes a final order of the Department and is not subject to review by any court. The hearing shall be held pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act (Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code). Written requests for a hearing to contest the finding of a violation must be emailed to appeals@cannabis.ca.gov or submitted in hard copy by mail or delivery to:

U.S. Postal Service	FedEx or UPS
Department of Cannabis Control Legal Affairs Division PO Box 419106 Rancho Cordova, CA 95741	Department of Cannabis Control Legal Affairs Division 2920 Kilgore Road Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

The Department may seek recovery of the reasonable costs of investigation and enforcement pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 26031.1 at the formal hearing on the citation or as part of any stipulated settlement.

If you have any questions regarding this citation or the appeals process, please contact Samantha Lehnhoff at Samantha.Lehnhoff@cannabis.ca.gov.

Date: 1/29/2024

By: _____


Jose Mendez
Branch Chief
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licensure or renewal of a license, disciplinary action, or further administrative or civil proceedings. If you are unable to complete the correction within the time provided because of conditions beyond your control after the exercise of reasonable diligence, you may request an extension of time in which to correct the violation. The request shall be made in writing and submitted to the Department, at Samantha.Lehnhoff@cannabis.ca.gov within the time set forth for abatement. The time to abate or correct may be extended for good cause.

APPEALING THE CITATION

To appeal the citation, you may request an informal conference with the Department, or request a formal hearing to contest the citation before an Administrative Law Judge, or both. Requests must be submitted in writing in accordance with the timeframes specified below or the right to a hearing is waived. If a hearing is not requested, payment of a fine will not constitute an admission of the violation charged.

INFORMAL CONFERENCE

You may request an informal conference with the Department regarding the acts or omissions found in the citation in accordance with California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 17803, subdivision (b). During an informal conference, you may present evidence supporting an adjustment to the citation and/or fine(s). The Department may affirm, modify, or dismiss the citation, including any fines assessed or orders of abatement issued. The informal conference may also resolve any matters relating to the citation through a settlement agreement.

To request an informal conference, your request must be in writing and submitted to the Department at Samantha.Lehnhoff@cannabis.ca.gov, within 15 calendar days from service of this citation. The informal conference may be conducted by telephone, through a virtual platform, or in person, at the Department's Headquarters, located at 2920 Kilgore Road, Rancho Cordova, California 95670. The informal conference will be held within 15 calendar days from receipt of the written request by the Department.

Requesting an informal conference does not stay or toll the running of the 30-day period for you to request a formal hearing to contest the citation before an Administrative Law Judge. You should request an informal conference as soon as possible if you would like to allow time to hold the conference prior to the deadline for contesting the citation as the time to contest a citation does not stop if you request an informal conference.



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At the conclusion of the informal conference, a written decision stating the reasons for the decision will be mailed to you within 15 calendar days from the date of the informal conference, which shall be deemed a final order. If the citation is dismissed, any request for a formal hearing shall be deemed withdrawn. If the citation is affirmed or modified, you may either withdraw the request for a formal hearing or proceed with the hearing. If the citation is modified, the original citation shall be considered withdrawn and a new citation issued. A request for a formal hearing on the new citation must be submitted to the Department in writing within 30 calendar days of issuance of the new citation.

CONTESTING THE CITATION


You have a right to contest the finding of a violation before an Administrative Law Judge by requesting a formal hearing. To request a formal hearing, your request must be in writing and submitted to the Department within 30 calendar days from service of the citation. If a request is not received by the Department within 30 calendar days, the right to a hearing is waived, and the citation becomes a final order of the Department and is not subject to review by any court. The hearing shall be held pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act (Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code). Written requests for a hearing to contest the finding of a violation must be emailed to appeals@cannabis.ca.gov or submitted in hard copy by mail or delivery to:

U.S. Postal Service	FedEx or UPS
Department of Cannabis Control Legal Affairs Division PO Box 419106 Rancho Cordova, CA 95741	Department of Cannabis Control Legal Affairs Division 2920 Kilgore Road Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

The Department may seek recovery of the reasonable costs of investigation and enforcement pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 26031.1 at the formal hearing on the citation or as part of any stipulated settlement.

If you have any questions regarding this citation or the appeals process, please contact Samantha Lehnhoff at Samantha.Lehnhoff@cannabis.ca.gov.

Date: 1/29/2024

By: 
Jose Mendez
Branch Chief
Compliance Division



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PROOF OF SERVICE

Case Name: In the Matter of Citation Against: SURVIVORMEDZ dba RELEAF MEDS
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I am a resident of the State of California, over the age of eighteen years, and not a party to the within action. My business address is Department of Cannabis Control, 2920 Kilgore Road, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. On July 18, 2025, I served the within documents:

ORDER ADOPTING STIPULATED SETTLEMENT OF CITATION AND ORDER AS FINAL DECISION

- ☒ VIA ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION. Pursuant to CCP § 1010.6, on this date, I caused the document(s) to be sent to the person(s) at the Email address(es) listed below. I did not receive, within a reasonable time after the transmission, any electronic message or other indication that the transmission was unsuccessful.
- ☐ VIA CERTIFIED MAIL by placing the envelope for collection and mailing following our ordinary business practices for collecting and transmitting mail through the United States Postal Service to the Respondent listed below.
- ☐ Service via certified mail to be completed upon the following business day.

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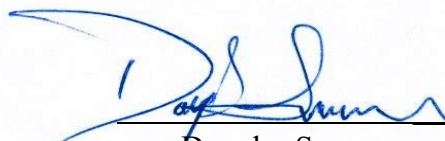
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I am familiar with the Department's business practices for collecting and transmitting mail through the United States Postal Service. In accordance with those practices, correspondence placed in the Department's internal mail collection system is, in the ordinary course of business, deposited in the United States Postal Service, with postage paid, on the same day I am aware that on motion of the party served, service is presumed invalid if postal cancellation date or postage meter date is more than one day after the date of deposit for mailing in affidavit.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, and the United States of America, that the above is true and correct.

Executed on July 18, 2025, at Rancho Cordova, California.



Douglas Smurr