

STATE OF NEW YORK  
INDUSTRIAL BOARD OF APPEALS

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 In the Matter of the Petition of: :  
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 RICHARD RUSSELL AND RICHLAND EQUITY :  
 RESOURCES CORP., :  
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 Petitioners, :  
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 To Review Under Section 101 of the Labor Law: :  
 An Order to Comply with Article 6 and an Order :  
 Under Article 19 of the Labor Law, both dated :  
 January 23, 2014, :  
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 - against - :  
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 THE COMMISSIONER OF LABOR, :  
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 Respondent. :  
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DOCKET NO. PR 14-082

RESOLUTION OF DECISION

**APPEARANCES**

Richard Russell, petitioner *pro se*, and for Richland Equity Resources Corp.

Pico Ben-Amotz, Esq., General Counsel, NYS Department of Labor (Jake Ebers of counsel), for respondent.

**WHEREAS:**

1. The above proceeding was commenced by the filing of a petition for review pursuant to Labor Law § 101 and Part 66 of the Industrial Board of Appeals' Rules of Procedure and Practice (Rules) (12 NYCRR Part 66) on April 18, 2014; and
2. Respondent Commissioner of Labor filed an answer to the petition on June 23, 2014; and
3. Upon notice by the Board to the parties dated February 6, 2015, a prehearing conference was set for March 2, 2015, and a hearing was set for March 26, 2015; and
4. Petitioners failed to participate in the pre-hearing conference and failed to attend or otherwise appear at the hearing; and
5. Pursuant to Labor Law § 103 and Board Rule 65.30, the burden of proof is on the petitioners to prove that the orders under review are not valid or reasonable; and

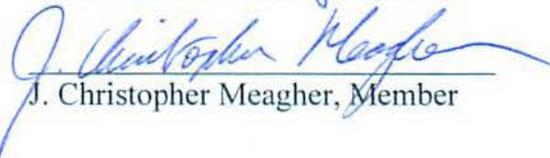
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**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:**

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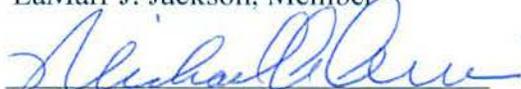


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April 29, 2015.

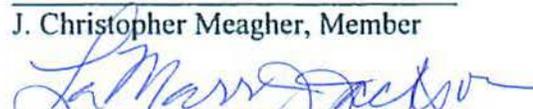
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