STATE OF NEW YORK INDUSTRIAL BOARD OF APPEALS		
In the Matter of the Petition of: HELMER TORO AND THE FIRST TORO FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP (T/A H & H BAGELS),		
Petitioners, To Review Under Section 101 of the Labor Law: Two	:	DOCKET NO. PR 14-280
Orders to Comply with Article 6, and an Order Under Article 19 of the Labor Law, all dated September 29, 2014,	:	RESOLUTION OF DECISION
- against -	:	
THE COMMISSIONER OF LABOR,	:	
Respondent.	: x	

Helmer Toro, for petitioners.

Pico Ben-Amotz, General Counsel, NYS Department of Labor (Paul Piccigallo of counsel), for respondent.

APPEARANCES

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 November 10, 2014; and
- 2. Respondent Commissioner of Labor (Commissioner) filed an answer to the petition on January 13, 2015; and
- 3. Upon notice by the Board to the parties issued on February 5, 2015, a telephone pre-hearing conference was scheduled for March 2, 2015 and a hearing for March 31, 2015. The notice was sent to petitioner at the address of record that petitioner supplied to the Board in his petition; and

- 4. Petitioner participated in the conference on March 2, 2015 and acknowledged that he had received the notice of hearing; and
- 5. Petitioner failed to attend or otherwise appear at the hearing; and
- 6. Pursuant to Labor Law § 103 and Board Rule 65.30, the burden of proof is on petitioner to prove that the orders under review are not valid or reasonable; and
- 7. Pursuant to Board Rule 65.24, "the failure of a party to appear at a hearing shall be deemed a waiver of all rights except the rights to be served with a copy of the decision of the Board and to request Board review pursuant to Section 65.41," unless application for reinstatement is made within five days after the scheduled hearing; and
- 8. Petitioner has not made any application for reinstatement.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

The petition be, and the same hereby is, dismissed in accordance with the Board's Rules.

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Michael A. Arcuri, Member

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Dated and signed in the Office of the Industrial Board of Appeals at Albany, New York, on April 29, 2015.

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