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8 **BEFORE THE**
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
9 **FOR THE BUREAU FOR PRIVATE POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION**
10 **STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

11 In the Matter of the Statement of Issues
12 Against:
13 **INSTITUTE OF CONTEMPORARY**
PSYCHOANALYSIS
14 Verification of Exempt Status Applicant
15 Institution Code Number 1922491
16 Respondent.

Case No. 1004464
OAH No. 2020040174
WITHDRAWAL OF
STATEMENT OF ISSUES

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19 **TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:**

20 On or about October 11, 2018, the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (Bureau)
21 received an Application for Verification of Exempt Status, Application #31562 from Institute of
22 Contemporary Psychoanalysis (Respondent). On or about October 5, 2018, Celeste Birkhofer,
23 Ph.D., Psy.D., M.F.T., as President, Part Owner and Member of the Board of Directors, certified
24 under penalty of perjury to the truthfulness of all statements, answers, and representations in the
25 application. The Bureau denied the application on March 4, 2019. On February 11, 2020, the
26 Bureau received a request for a hearing to appeal the Bureau's denial of the application from
27 Respondent. On January 16, 2020, Dr. Michael Marion, Jr., solely in his official capacity as
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1 Chief of the Bureau, filed Statement of Issues No. 1004464, which is currently pending against
2 Respondent.

3 On August 14, 2020, Respondent withdrew the appeal and request for a hearing of the
4 denial of the Application for Verification of Exempt Status, for Institute of Contemporary
5 Psychoanalysis by the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education. Accordingly, Statement of
6 Issues No. 1004464, filed against Respondent, is withdrawn without prejudice and the denial of
7 the application is affirmed.

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10 DATED: “8/26/2020”

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DR. MICHAEL MARION, JR.
Chief
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