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LISA M. VERNON,	)	ICRC Docket No.: 470-2013-03538
Complainant,	)	
VS.	)	
SUGAR CREEK GROUP, LLC, d/b/a SUGAR CREEK NURSING AND REHABILITATION, Respondent.	)	

## FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ORDER

On March 23, 2015, Hon. Noell F. Allen Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") for the Indiana Civil Rights Commission ("ICRC") entered her Proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, And Order ("the proposed decision").

No objections have been filed to the ICRC's adoption of the proposed decision.

Having carefully considered the foregoing and being duly advised in the premises, the ICRC hereby adopts as its own the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order proposed by the ALJ in the proposed decision, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Any party aggrieved by the ICRC's decision may seek judicial review with the Indiana Court of Appeals within thirty days following the date of notification of such decision.

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**April 24, 2015** 

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## PROPOSED FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND ORDER

On March 20, 2015, Complainant, Lisa M. Vernon, by counsel, and Respondent, Sugar Creek Group, LLC d/b/a Sugar Creek Nursing and Rehabilitation, by counsel (collectively, "the parties"), filed their JOINT MOTION TO DISMISS ("Motion").

Having carefully considered the foregoing and being duly advised in the premises, the undersigned Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") for the Indiana Civil Rights Commission ("ICRC") proposes that the ICRC enter the following findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. This proceeding involves a complaint of discrimination against Respondent alleging Respondent discriminated against Complainant on the basis of race. (Notice of Finding, July 15, 2014).
  - 2. The parties have reached a private settlement agreement.
  - 3. The parties are satisfied with the terms of the settlement agreement.
- 4. There is no evidence of fraud, coercion, duress, or any other reason not to approve of the requested dismissal.
- 5. Any Conclusion of Law that should have been deemed a Finding of Fact is hereby adopted as such.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The ICRC has jurisdiction over the subject matter and the parties.
- 2. Settlement is a favored resolution and should be encouraged.
- 3. Administrative review of this proposed decision may be obtained by the filing of a writing identifying with reasonable particularity each basis of each objection within fifteen (15) days after service of this proposed decision. IC 4-21.5-3-29(d).
- 4. Any Finding of Fact that should have been deemed a Conclusion of Law is hereby adopted as such.

### **ORDER**

- 1. The parties' Motion is **GRANTED**.
- 2. Lisa Vernon's complaint is **DISMISSED**, with prejudice.

Dated this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2015

Hon. Noell F. Allen Administrative Law Judge Indiana Civil Rights Commission

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