STATE OF INDIANA CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION

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TINA MICKLE.

Complainant,

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COLUMBUS PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY, PC; and CARL D. BELL, D.D.S.; Respondents. Indiana State Civil Rights Commission

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND ORDER

On January 31, 2008, Robert D. Lange, Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") for the Indiana Civil Rights Commission ("ICRC"), entered his 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.

Alpha Blackburn, Chairperson

Barry Baypard, Commissioner

John E. Barcia, Commissioner

Charles D. Gidney, Commissioner

Steven A. Ramos, Commissioner

Dated: 28 March 2008

To be served by first class mail on the following parties and attorneys of record:

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PROPOSED FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND ORDER

On January 30, 2008, Complainant, Tina Mickle ("Mickle"), filed her Agreed Motion To Dismiss, a motion to which Respondents - Columbus Pediatric Dentistry, PC and Darl D. Bell, D.D.S. - have not responded.

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. Mickle's complaint alleges that, in March of 2005, she was unlawfully terminated from employment because of disability. COMPLAINT OF DISCRIMINATION (May 24, 2005).

- 2. Respondents dispute Mickle's claims of unlawful discrimination. RESPONDENT'S ANSWER TO AMENDED COMPLAINT (July 12, 2007).
- 3. Mickle's Motion is expressly motivated by a settlement.
- 4. There is no evidence of fraud, coercion, duress, or any other reason not to approve the stipulated 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.
- 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 specifying with reasonable particularity each basis for each objection within 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. Mickle's Agreed Motion To Dismiss is **GRANTED**.
- 2. Mickle's complaint is **DISMISSED**, with prejudice.

Dated: 31 January 2008

Robert D. Lange Administrative Law Judge To be served by first class mail this 31st day of January, 2008 on the following parties and attorneys of record:

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