## STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS SECURITIES DIVISION

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Respondents.

IN THE MATTER OF DETERMINING Whether there has been a violation of the Franchise Investment Protection Act of Washington by:

Order No. S-15-1714-15-CO01 CONSENT ORDER

<sup>5</sup> Michael Pucci,
Ashley Zdeb, and
<sup>6</sup> Dystopia Rising, LLC,

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Pursuant to the Franchise Investment Protection Act of Washington, RCW 19.100, the Securities Division and Respondents Michael Pucci, Ashley Zdeb, and Dystopia Rising, LLC (collectively referred to as "Respondents"), do hereby enter into this Consent Order in settlement of the matters alleged herein. On December 17, 2015, the Securities Administrator of the State of Washington issued Statement of Charges and Notice of Intent to Issue an Order to Cease and Desist, S-15-1714-15-SC01, hereinafter referred to as the "Statement of Charges," against the Respondents Michael Pucci, Ashley Zdeb, and Dystopia Rising, LLC. The Securities Division has, in the Statement of Charges, made certain allegations and conclusions, set forth under the headings "Tentative Findings of Fact" and "Conclusions of Law." Respondents neither admit nor deny the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law which are hereby incorporated by reference into this Consent Order.

## **CONSENT ORDER**

IT IS AGREED AND ORDERED that Respondents Michael Pucci, Ashley Zdeb, and Dystopia Rising, LLC, their agents, and employees each shall cease and desist from violating RCW 19.100.120, the franchise registration section of the Franchise Investment Protection Act.

IT IS AGREED AND ORDERED that Respondents Michael Pucci, Ashley Zdeb, and Dystopia Rising, LLC, their agents, and employees each shall cease and desist from violating RCW 19.100.080, the disclosure document section of the Franchise Investment Protection Act.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that Respondents Michael Pucci, Ashley Zdeb, and Dystopia Rising, LLC, shall be liable for and pay investigative costs of \$12,000 prior to the entry of this Consent Order.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that the Securities Division has jurisdiction to enter this Consent Order.

CONSENT ORDER

|     | IT IS AGREED AND ORDERED that Respondents Michael Pucci, Ashley Zdeb, and Dystopia<br>Rising, LLC, entered into this Consent Order freely and voluntarily and with a full understanding of its terms and<br>significance. |  |
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| 3   | IT IS FURTHER AGREED that in consideration of the foregoing, Respondents Michael Pucci, Ashley Zdeb,  |  |
| 4   | and Dystopia Rising, LLC, waive their right to a hearing and to judicial review of this matter.   |  |
| 5   | Dated this <u>5<sup>th</sup></u> day, January of 2016 by: Dated t   | his <u>5th</u> day, January of 2016 by:                                      |
| 6   | <u>/s/</u>  | <u>/s/</u>   |
| 0   | Michael Pucci   | Ashley Zdeb  |
| 7   | /s/   | /s/  |
| 8   | /s/<br>Dystopia Rising, LLC by Ashley Zdeb, co-founder  | Approved as to Form by Daniel Oates,<br>Attorney for Respondents, WSBA#39334 |
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| 10  | Signed and Entered this <u>12th</u> day of Janu   |  |
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