UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES



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In the Matter of	SECRETARY
Louisiana Real Estate Appraisers Board,	DOCKET NO. 9 ORIGINAL
Respondent.))

ORDER GRANTING UNOPPOSED MOTION AND SETTING DATE FOR INITIAL SCHEDULING CONFERENCE

On June 19, 2017, Respondent Louisiana Real Estate Appraisers Board ("Respondent") filed an Unopposed Motion Regarding Rule 3.21(b) Scheduling Conference ("Motion"). Under Federal Trade Commission ("FTC") Rule 3.21(b), a scheduling conference shall take place no later than 10 days after the respondent files an Answer to the Complaint (the "initial scheduling conference"). 16 C.F.R. § 3.21(b). Respondent filed its Answer on June 19, 2017.

Respondent states that, due to longstanding travel commitments, its lead counsel is unable to attend a scheduling conference set within the 10-day period provided under Rule 3.21(b). Respondent further states that, after conferring with FTC Complaint Counsel, the first date on which both Complaint Counsel and Respondent Counsel will both be able to attend is July 5, 2017. Respondent therefore requests that the initial scheduling conference required under Rule 3.21(b) be set on or after July 5, 2017. Respondent states that Complaint Counsel does not oppose the Motion.

FTC Rule 4.3(b)(2) provides that, except in situations not here applicable, the Administrative Law Judge may, for good cause shown, extend any time limit prescribed by the Rules. 16 C.F.R. § 4.3(b)(2).

Based on the foregoing, the Motion is GRANTED, and it is hereby ORDERED that the initial scheduling conference in this matter will be held on July 6, 2017, at 2:00 p.m. in Room 532, Federal Trade Commission Building, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC.

The parties are directed to meet before the scheduling conference and to comply with Commission Rule 3.21(a) and (b). The expected scheduling order will be provided to the parties in advance of the scheduling conference.

ORDERED:

D. Michael Chappell

Chief Administrative Law Judge

Date: June 22, 2017