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## IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA arson City IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASHOE

STATE OF NEVADA, EX REL. COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE, IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS STATUTORY RECEIVER FOR DELINQUENT DOMESTIC INSURER, Plaintiff.

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PHYSICIANS BENEFIT RESOURCES RISK RETENTION GROUP, INC., a Nevada Domiciled Association Captive Insurance Company,

Defendant

Case No. 14 OC 00114 1B

Dept. No. 2

# FIRST STATUS REPORT

Scott J. Kipper, Commissioner of Insurance (the "Commissioner") for the State of Nevada, in his capacity as Permanent Receiver of Physicians Benefit Resources Risk Retention Group, Inc. ("PBR" or the "Company"), and Regulatory Services Group ("RSG"). Receivership Manager of PBR, file this First Status Report in the above-captioned receivership.

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## I. INTRODUCTION AND HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

PBR is a captive insurance company operating as a risk retention group and on June 1, 2010, was incorporated and organized under the Nevada Insurance laws and the Liability Risk Retention Act of 1986. The company, domiciled in the State of Nevada, received its Certificate of Authority on July 20, 2010, and operated under the authority of Nevada Revised Statutes ("NRS") Chapter 694C. The Company wrote professional liability insurance to physicians and their medical groups under claims-made indemnity policies. Ultimately, the Company was unable to collect premiums sufficient to cover both its fixed costs and operate as a viable insurer. To date, it has been able to attract only one doctor group. The Company reported that as of December 31, 2012, the Capital and Surplus balance was \$149,013. In accordance with NRS 694C.250 (1), the company has been unable to maintain the required minimum Capital and Surplus balance of \$500,000. As a consequence of failing to restore the minimum Capital and Surplus balance by April 30, 2013, the Company agreed to a voluntary suspension of its Certificate of Authority. On June 26, 2013, the Company filed a run-off plan with the Nevada Division of Insurance to begin the process of closing down operations.

On June 12, 2014, the Nevada Insurance Commissioner was appointed as Permanent Receiver of the Company by the First Judicial District Court of the State of Nevada (the "Court"). On June 17, 2014, an Amended Order Appointing Commissioner as Permanent Receiver for Physicians Benefit Resources Risk Retention Group, Inc., Order of Liquidation, and Other Permanent Relief (the "Permanent Receivership and Liquidation Order") was entered by the Court.

On June 12, 2014, Commissioner Kipper as Permanent Receiver of the Company retained David E. Wilson and Regulatory Services Group ("RSG") as Receivership Manager. The Receivership Manager was authorized to retain the services of Scott Pearce of RSG as his Receivership Supervisor. As provided by the Permanent Receivership and Liquidation Order, the Receiver and Receivership Manager are authorized to conduct the business of the

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Company and to administer its affairs for the protection of all secured creditors, insureds, policyholders, and general creditors.

The Permanent Receivership and Liquidation Order found the Company to be insolvent and ordered it to be liquidated pursuant to Chapter 696B.220(2) of NRS. It also directed that among other things:

- 1. The Receiver is vested with exclusive title both legal and equitable to all of Defendant's assets, books, records, property, real and personal, including all property or ownership rights, choate or inchoate, whether legal or equitable of any kind or nature, including, but not limited to, all causes of action, defenses, letters of credit relating to the Company or its business, all stocks, bonds, certificates of deposit, cash, cash equivalents, contract rights, reinsurance contracts and reinsurance recoverables, in-force insurance contracts and business, deeds. mortgages. leases. book entry deposits, bank deposits. evidences indebtedness, bank accounts, securities of any kind and nature, both tangible and intangible, including, but not limited to, any special statutory deposits or other deposits or accounts made by or for the Company.
- 2. All persons be enjoined from commencing, bringing, maintaining, or further prosecuting any action at law, suit in equity, arbitration, or special or other proceeding of any nature against the Company, Receiver, or Receivership Manager;
- 3. All secured creditors or lienholders of property of the Company be enjoined from transferring, selling, encumbering, attaching, or disposing of their purported rights in the property:
- The Receiver establish a claim and appeal procedure for claims in the 4. receivership; and
- 5. Officers, directors, partners, agents, creditors, and all other persons of any nature be enjoined from conducting the business of the Company, asserting control or

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dominion over property of the Company, seeking to obtain preferences of any kind, or interfering in any way with Receivership proceedings.

6. The Receiver shall affirm, reject, or disavow any leases or executory contracts to which the Company is a party at such times as they deem appropriate under the circumstances.

## II. RECEIVERSHIP ADMINISTRATION

#### Notices of Receivership and Notification of Interested Parties Α.

The Receivership Manager prepared and mailed notices of the receivership proceeding apprising all known, interested parties of the receivership and pending liquidation of the Company. The notice contained contact information for questions and where to find copies of the receivership orders. Additionally, the Regulatory Services Group website was updated with the notice and links to view the permanent receivership and liquidation order.

The Receivership Manager also personally served a certified copy of the permanent receivership and liquidation order on the Company's depository banking partner. Consulting counsel for the Company and RSG together provided notice of the receivership and copies of the permanent receivership and liquidation order to Laurence Mohn (CFO, COO and Director of the Company), Keith Mohn, Dr. John Paul Elliott (a board member of the Company and sole owner of Colorado Brain and Spine institute), Richard Staub, Esq. (counsel for the Company). as well as all known reinsurers, brokers, reinsurance intermediaries, professional service providers, and any other known stakeholders to the Company. A Notice of Entry of Order was filed with this Court on June 23, 2014, and copies also were sent by the Nevada Attorney General's Office to the board members and representatives of PBR - Laurence Mohn, John Paul Elliot, Craig Benson, and Richard S. Staub. The Receivership Manager also will arrange for notices to be published in newspapers in locations where the Company wrote insurance.

#### В. Policyholder Related Claims

As of this Status Report, the Company has one open claim from its sole insured -- the Colorado Brain and Spine Institute (the "CBSI"). The Company has insured CBSI for

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indemnity coverage only. The defense of the litigated claim initially was funded by a reinsurer up to a stated amount after which the named defendant in the suit, who is an insured of the Company, personally has been paying the costs of defense. According to consulting counsell for the Company under the terms of the insurance policy, the insured/named defendant retains the exclusive rights to compromise or settle the claim. Upon initial review, it appears the Company has a reinsurance program in place that may serve to pay a material portion of any indemnity claim obligation that may result from the litigation. The Receivership Manager will work independently to verify the facts and information that have been received from third parties at the initial turnover of the Company. The Receivership Manager will continue to monitor the case and will address any obligations that may arise from the future ruling.

#### **Records and Assets Control** C.

The Receivership Manager still is in the process of taking control and possession of the Company's books and records, both tangible and electronic. The majority of the Company's records are maintained in electronic form, and were dispersed to various parties after the termination of the management agreement with the Company's captive manager in June 2013. The Receivership Manager has made contact with and interviewed various service providers and consultants to the Company who currently hold the Company's documents. The Receivership Manager has set up a secure web-based location to which all of the Company's books and records will be transferred. As a result of the records being held by various parties in various states, the process of collecting all of the Company's documents and information is requiring additional time and effort.

In addition to records control, the Receivership Manager actively is working to take control of the Company's sole bank account. The Receivership Manager has been successful in establishing a hold on the Company's bank account and is in the process of working with the bank's legal/compliance unit to change over signatory access at Bank of America. Bank of America's legal unit was provided a certified copy of the receivership order on June 30,

2014, as well as the proper engagement documents authorizing the Receivership Manager to act on behalf of the Receiver.

## D. Financial Analysis

The Company had liquid assets of \$151,091 as of July 3, 2014, a reinsurance receivable for \$950,000 and claim and expense liabilities in excess of \$1,000,000. Based on the financial condition of the Company, the Receiver will need time to determine the ultimate obligations of the Company as a result of the pending claim litigation and determine if sufficient assets are available through reinsurance recoveries, assessment, and cash on hand to pay all or a portion of the Company's creditors.

## III. CONCLUSION

In compliance with the Court's instructions for a status report regarding the affairs of the Companies, the Receivership Manager has submitted the aforementioned report and remains available to present further on any matters in this report as the Court may deem necessary.

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### **AFFIRMATION**

Pursuant to NRS 239B.030, the undersigned does hereby affirm that the preceding document, First Status Report, filed in case number 14 OC 00114 1B, does not contain the social security number of any person.

**DATED: July 11, 2014** 

Respectfully submitted:

Scott J. Kipper, Commissioner of Insurance of the State of Nevada, in his Official Capacity as Statutory Receiver of Delinquent Domestic Insurers

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I am an employee of the State of Nevada, Office of the Attorney General, and that on July 11, 2014, I filed a copy of the foregoing *First Status Report* at First Judicial District Court, and served, by mailing at Carson City, Nevada, a true and correct copy in first class mail, postage prepaid, fully addressed to:

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