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Acting Secretary

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#### **VARIANCE**

Pursuant to the authority granted to me by 68 Illinois Administrative Code 1140.110, 1175.110, 1200.80, 1210.240, 1230.160, 1240.585, 1250.210, and 1280.130, I hereby grant a Variance to the respective provisions of 68 Illinois Administrative Code on the attached Schedule A, that require certain licensed professionals and entities to submit renewal documentation, pay certain renewal fees, and to show compliance with continuing education requirements as may be applicable, by deadlines from May 31, 2021 through July 31, 2021. Such individuals and entities are granted until September 30, 2021, to complete the renewal process.

This variance is granted based upon the transition, in the spring of 2021, to new data and operating systems utilized by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation ("Department"), and the Department's determination that certain licensees did not or may not have received notices and instructions concerning the required renewal via e-mail during this period.

The purpose of this Variance is to ensure that licensed professionals and entities who are otherwise eligible to renew and whose licenses would otherwise expire during the period of May 31, 2021 through July 31, 2021 do not experience an expired or lapsed license, and are not required to take additional steps or pay additional fees to restore the license, prior to September 30, 2021.

This Variance is in no way intended to waive or modify any other statute, rule, or regulation concerning the licensure of the respective professions on the attached Schedule A, nor to extend the active licensure period beyond the expiration date for licenses otherwise required to be renewed from May 31, 2021 through July 31, 2021. Licenses renewed through September 30, 2021, during the extended renewal period granted by this Variance, shall expire at the end of the ordinary renewal period designated by the relevant regulation applicable to the profession.

I have determined that the provision from which this Variance is granted is not statutorily mandated; no party will be injured by the granting of this Variance; and the rules from which this Variance is granted would, in this particular case, be unreasonable.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION of the State of Illinois, Mario Treto, Jr., ACTING SECRETARY, by

Acting Director Cecilia Abundis

Division of Professional Regulation

May 28, 202

Date

### **SCHEDULE A**

### License Expiration in the absence of this Variance: May 31, 2021

Collection Agency and Collection Agency Branch Office: 68 Illinois Administrative Code 1210.235.

Detection of Deception: 68 Illinois Administrative Code 1230.150.

Permanent Employee Registration (PERC): 68 Illinois Administrative Code 1240.550(c).

Funeral Director, Funeral Director and Embalmer, Funeral Director and Embalmer Intern, and Funeral Director and Embalmer CE Sponsor: 68 Illinois Administrative Code 1250.200.

Restricted Shorthand Reporter, Certified Shorthand Reporter, and Shorthand Reporter CE Sponsor: 68 Illinois Administrative Code 1200.35.

# License Expiration in the absence of this Variance: June 30, 2021

Acupuncturist and Acupuncture CE Sponsor: 68 Illinois Administrative Code 1140.60.

## License Expiration in the absence of this Variance: July 31, 2021

Barber, Barber Teacher, and Barber School: 68 Illinois Administrative Code 1175.225.

Sex Offender Evaluator, Associate Sex Offender Provider, and Sex Offender Treatment Provider: 68 Illinois Administrative Code 1280.70.