

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

	)	No. ED CV 18-2104-DMG (PLAx)
Federal Trade Commission,)	
Plaintiff,	)	DEFAULT JUDGMENT INCLUDING
v.	)	PERMANENT INJUNCTION AS TO
Jason Cardiff, et al.,	)	REDWOOD SCIENTIFIC
Defendants.	)	TECHNOLOGIES, INC. (CA), REDWOOD
	)	SCIENTIFIC TECHNOLOGIES, INC.
	)	(NV) REDWOOD SCIENTIFIC
	)	TECHNOLOGIES, INC. (DE), IDENTIFY,
	)	LLC, ADVANCED MEN’S INSTITUTE
	)	PROLONGZ LLC, RUN AWAY
	)	PRODUCTS, LLC, AND CAROLS PLACE
	)	LIMITED PARTNERSHIP
)	
)	
)	

On October 3, 2018, Plaintiff, the Federal Trade Commission (“FTC” or “the Commission”), filed its Complaint for Permanent Injunction and Other Equitable Relief pursuant to Section 13(b) of the Federal Trade Commission Act (“FTC Act”), 15 U.S.C. §53(b), the Restore Online Shoppers’ Confidence Act (“ROSCA”), 15 U.S.C. §§ 8401-8405, and the Electronic Fund Transfer Act

1 (“EFTA”), 15 U.S.C. §§ 1693-1693r, and Section 6 of the Telemarketing and
2 Consumer Fraud and Abuse Prevention Act (the “Telemarketing Act”), 15 U.S.C.
3 § 6105 and moved, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 65(b), for a temporary restraining
4 order, asset freeze, other equitable relief, and an order to show cause why a
5 preliminary injunction should not issue against Defendants Jason Cardiff, Eunjung
6 Cardiff, a/k/a Eunjung Lee, a/k/a Eunjung No, Danielle Cadiz, a/k/a Danielle
7 Walker, and corporate defendants, Redwood Scientific Technologies, Inc.
8 (California), Redwood Scientific Technologies, Inc. (Nevada), Redwood Scientific
9 Technologies, Inc. (Delaware), Identify, LLC, Advanced Men’s Institute Prolongz
10 LLC, Run Away Products, LLC, and Carols Place Limited Partnership (“Corporate
11 Defendants”). [Doc. # 1.]

12 This Court entered a temporary restraining order (“TRO”) on October 10,
13 2018. [Doc. # 29.] On October 24, 2018, the Court entered a Preliminary
14 Injunction with an asset freeze and appointed a receiver over the Corporate
15 Defendants. [Doc. # 46.]

16 On March 5, 2019, the Commission filed an Application for the Clerk to
17 Enter Defaults Against the Corporate Defendants Pursuant to Rule 55(a) of the
18 Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. [Doc. ## 89, 89-1.] The Clerk entered default
19 against the seven Corporate Defendants between March 5, 2019 and March 7,
20 2019. [Doc. ## 91, 92, 96.]

21 On August 6, 2020, the Commission moved for entry of default judgments
22 against all seven Corporate Defendants pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure
23 55(b)(2) and Local Rule 55-1. [Doc. # 422.] The Commission filed its Proposed
24 Default Judgment on September 3, 2021. [Doc. # 651.]

25 **FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

26 1. This action was initiated by the FTC under Section 13(b) of the FTC
27 Act, 15 U.S.C. § 53(b), Section 5 of ROSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 8404, Section 918(c) of
28 EFTA, 15 U.S.C. § 1693o(c), and Section 6 of the Telemarketing Act, 15 U.S.C. §

1 6105. The Commission's Complaint sought both permanent injunctive relief and
2 equitable monetary relief for the acts and practices as alleged therein.

3 2. The Court has jurisdiction over this matter and over the Corporate
4 Defendants and venue in this district is proper under 15 U.S.C. § 53(b) and 28
5 U.S.C. §§ 1391(b)(1), (b)(2), (c)(1), (c)(2), and (d).

6 3. The Corporate Defendants' activities as alleged in the Commission's
7 Complaint were in or affecting commerce, as defined in Section 4 of the FTC Act,
8 15 U.S.C. § 44.

9 4. The Commission's Complaint stated a claim upon which relief can be
10 granted against the Corporate Defendants.

11 5. The Corporate Defendants had proper notice of this lawsuit. They
12 never filed an answer to the Complaint.

13 6. The allegations in the Commission's Complaint are taken as true
14 against the Corporate Defendants.

15 7. Those allegations and evidence supporting them established that
16 between 2013 and October 12, 2018, the Corporate Defendants violated:

- 17 a. Sections 5(a) and 12 of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 45(a) and
18 52, which prohibit unfair and deceptive acts or practices in or
19 affecting commerce;
- 20 b. Section 4 of ROSCA, 15 U.S.C. § 8403, which prohibits
21 charging consumers for goods or services sold in transactions
22 effected on the Internet through a negative option feature, as
23 that term is defined in the Commission's Telemarketing Sales
24 Rule, 16 C.F.R. § 310.2(w), unless the seller: (a) clearly and
25 conspicuously discloses all material terms of the transaction
26 before obtaining the consumer's billing information; (b) obtains
27 the consumer's express informed consent before making the
28

1 charge; and (c) provides a simple mechanism to stop recurring
2 charges;

3 c. Section 907(a) of EFTA, 15 U.S.C. § 1693e(a) and Section
4 1005.10(b) of EFTA’s implementing Regulation E, 12 C.F.R. §
5 1005.10, which provides that a preauthorized electronic fund
6 transfer (which is elsewhere defined as an electronic fund
7 transfer authorized in advance to recur at substantially regular
8 intervals) from a consumer’s account may be authorized by the
9 consumer only in a writing signed or similarly authenticated by
10 the consumer, and require that a copy of such authorization
11 shall be provided to the consumer when made; and

12 d. Section 310.4(b)(1)(v) of the FTC’s Telemarketing Sales Rule
13 (“TSR”), 16 C.F.R. § 310.4(b)(1)(v).

14 8. Jason Cardiff and Eunjung Cardiff operated the Corporate Defendants
15 as a common enterprise. The Corporate Defendants “constitute[d] various
16 iterations and shells of one another” and the Cardiffs and the Corporate Defendants
17 were “all involved in the sale of the Products and . . . money, products, and
18 employees flowed freely between them.” Summary Judgment Order at 20 [Doc. #
19 511.]

20 9. Section 13(b) of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. § 53(b), empowers this Court
21 to issue injunctive relief against violations of the FTC Act. Section 19 of the FTC
22 Act, § 57b, empowers the Court to grant such relief as it finds necessary to redress
23 injury to consumers from the Defendants’ violations of ROSCA and the TSR,
24 including rescission or reformation of contracts and refund of money.

25 10. The danger of future violations by the Corporate Defendants justifies
26 the issuance of permanent injunctive relief, including banning them from engaging
27 in certain activities.
28

1 means to offer, sell, or distribute Goods or Services. The definition of
2 Business Venture includes multilevel marketing programs.

3 D. **“Charge(s),” “Charged,” or “Charging”** means any attempt to
4 collect money or other consideration from a consumer, including, but
5 not limited to, causing Billing Information to be submitted for
6 payment, including against the consumer’s credit card, debit card,
7 bank account, telephone bill, or other account.

8 E. **“Clear(ly) and conspicuous(ly)”** means that a required disclosure is
9 difficult to miss (i.e., easily noticeable) and easily understandable by
10 ordinary consumers, including in all of the following ways:

- 11 1. In any communication that is solely visual or solely audible, the
12 disclosure must be made through the same means through which
13 the communication is presented. In any communication made
14 through both visual and audible means, such as a television
15 advertisement, the disclosure must be presented simultaneously in
16 both the visual and audible portions of the communication even if
17 the representation requiring the disclosure is made in only one
18 means.
- 19 2. A visual disclosure, by its size, contrast, location, the length of
20 time it appears, and other characteristics, must stand out from any
21 accompanying text or other visual elements so that it is easily
22 noticed, read, and understood.
- 23 3. An audible disclosure, including by telephone or streaming video,
24 must be delivered in a volume, speed, and cadence sufficient for
25 ordinary consumers to easily hear and understand it.
- 26 4. In any communication using an interactive electronic medium,
27 such as the Internet or software, the disclosure must be
28 unavoidable.

- 1 5. The disclosure must use diction and syntax understandable to
- 2 ordinary consumers and must appear in each language in which the
- 3 representation that requires the disclosure appears.
- 4 6. The disclosure must comply with these requirements in each
- 5 medium through which it is received, including all electronic
- 6 devices and face-to-face communications.
- 7 7. The disclosure must not be contradicted or mitigated by, or
- 8 inconsistent with, anything else in the communication.
- 9 8. When the representation or sales practice targets a specific
- 10 audience, such as children, the elderly, or the terminally ill,
- 11 “ordinary consumers” includes reasonable members of that group.

12 F. **“Covered Product”** means any Dietary Supplement, Food, Drug, or

13 Device.

14 G. **“Credit Card Laundering”** means: (a) presenting or depositing into,

15 or causing or allowing another to present or deposit into, the credit

16 card system for payment, a Credit Card Sales Draft generated by a

17 transaction that is not the result of a credit card transaction between

18 the cardholder and the Merchant; (b) employing, soliciting, or

19 otherwise causing or allowing a Merchant, or an employee,

20 representative, or agent of a Merchant, to present to or deposit into the

21 credit card system for payment, a Credit Card Sales Draft generated

22 by a transaction that is not the result of a credit card transaction

23 between the cardholder and the Merchant; or (c) obtaining access to

24 the credit card system through the use of a business relationship or an

25 affiliation with a Merchant, when such access is not authorized by the

26 Merchant Account agreement or the applicable credit card system.

27 H. **“Credit Card Sales Draft”** means any record or evidence of a credit

28 card transaction.

1 I. **“Corporate Defendant(s)”** means Redwood Scientific Technologies,
2 Inc. (CA); Redwood Scientific Technologies, Inc. (NV); Redwood
3 Scientific Technologies, Inc. (DE); Identify, LLC; Advanced Men’s
4 Institute Prolongz LLC; Run Away Product, LLC; and Carols Place
5 Limited Partnership, individually, collectively, or in any combination.

6 J. **“Defendant(s)”** means Jason Cardiff, Eunjung Cardiff, and the
7 Corporate Defendants, individually, collectively, or in any
8 combination.

9 K. **“Device”** means an instrument, apparatus, implement, machine,
10 contrivance, implant, in vitro reagent, or other similar or related
11 article, including any component, part, or accessory, which is (1)
12 recognized in the official National Formulary, or the United States
13 Pharmacopeia, or any supplement to them; (2) intended for use in the
14 diagnosis of disease or other conditions, or in the cure, mitigation,
15 treatment, or prevention of disease, in humans or other animals; or (3)
16 intended to affect the structure or any function of the body of humans
17 or other animals; and which does not achieve any of its principal
18 intended purposes through chemical action within or on the body of
19 humans or other animals and which is not dependent upon being
20 metabolized for the achievement of any of its principal intended
21 purposes.

22 L. **“Dietary Supplement”** means: (1) any product labeled as a Dietary
23 Supplement or otherwise represented as a Dietary Supplement; or (2)
24 any pill, tablet, capsule, powder, softgel, gelcap, liquid, or other
25 similar form containing one or more ingredients that are a vitamin,
26 mineral, herb or other botanical, amino acid, probiotic, or other
27 dietary substance for use by humans to supplement the diet by
28 increasing the total dietary intake, or a concentrate, metabolite,

1 constituent, extract, or combination of any ingredient described above,
2 that is intended to be ingested, and is not represented to be used as a
3 conventional Food or as a sole item of a meal or the diet.

4 M. **“Drug”** means: (1) articles recognized in the official United States
5 Pharmacopoeia, official Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia of the United
6 States, or official National Formulary, or any supplement to any of
7 them; (2) articles intended for use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation,
8 treatment, or prevention of disease in humans or other animals; (3)
9 articles (other than food) intended to affect the structure or any
10 function of the body of humans or other animals; and (4) articles
11 intended for use as a component of any article specified in (1), (2), or
12 (3); but does not include devices or their components, parts, or
13 accessories.

14 N. **“Essentially Equivalent Product”** means a product that contains the
15 identical ingredients, except for inactive ingredients (e.g., binders,
16 colors, fillers, excipients) in the same form and dosage, and with the
17 same route of administration (e.g., orally, sublingually), as the
18 Covered Product; *provided that* the Covered Product may contain
19 additional ingredients if reliable scientific evidence generally accepted
20 by experts in the field indicates that the amount and combination of
21 additional ingredients is unlikely to impede or inhibit the effectiveness
22 of the ingredients in the Essentially Equivalent Product.

23 O. **“Financial Institution”** means any institution the business of which is
24 engaging in financial activities as described in section 4(k) of the
25 Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 (12 U.S.C. § 1843(k)). An
26 institution that is significantly engaged in financial activities is a
27 Financial Institution.
28

- 1 P. **“Food”** means: (1) any article used for food or drink for humans or
2 other animals; (2) chewing gum; and (3) any article used for
3 components of any such article.
- 4 Q. **“Good(s) or Service(s)”** includes merchandise, products, plans, or
5 programs.
- 6 R. **“Investment Opportunity”** means anything, tangible or intangible,
7 that is offered, offered for sale, sold, or traded based wholly or in part
8 on representations, either express or implied, about past, present, or
9 future income, profit, or appreciation.
- 10 S. **“Made in the United States”** means any representation, express or
11 implied, that a product, or a specified component thereof, is of U.S.-
12 origin, including a representation that such product is “made,”
13 “manufactured,” “built,” or “produced” in the United States or in
14 America, or any other U.S.-origin claim.
- 15 T. **“Merchant”** means (a) any person or entity engaged in the sale or
16 marketing of any goods or services, or soliciting a charitable
17 contribution, or (b) any person or entity who applies for or obtains
18 Payment Processing services.
- 19 U. **“Merchant Account”** means any account with an Acquiring Bank or
20 other Financial Institution, service provider, payment processor,
21 independent sales organization, or other entity that enables an
22 individual, a business, or other organization to accept payments of any
23 kind.
- 24 V. **“Negative Option Feature”** means, in an offer or agreement to sell or
25 provide any Good or Service, a provision under which the consumer’s
26 silence or failure to take affirmative action to reject a Good or
27 Service, or to cancel the agreement, is interpreted by the seller or
28 provider as acceptance or continuing acceptance of the offer.

1 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Corporate Defendants, whether acting
2 directly or through an intermediary, are permanently restrained and enjoined from
3 initiating telephone calls delivering prerecorded messages, including ringless
4 voicemails.

5 **III. BAN ON MULTILEVEL MARKETING**

6 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Corporate Defendants, whether acting
7 directly or through an intermediary, are permanently restrained and enjoined from
8 engaging or participating in any multilevel marketing program.

9 **IV. BAN ON THE ADVERTISING, MARKETING, PROMOTION,
10 OFFERING FOR SALE, OR SALE OF DISSOLVABLE ORAL FILM
11 STRIPS TO END-USER CONSUMERS**

12 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Corporate Defendants, whether acting
13 directly or through an intermediary, are permanently restrained and enjoined from
14 the advertising, marketing, promoting, or offering for sale of any dissolvable oral
15 film strip to end-user consumers.

16 **V. PROHIBITED REPRESENTATIONS: REGARDING HEALTH-
17 RELATED CLAIMS REQUIRING HUMAN CLINICAL TESTING
18 FOR SUBSTANTIATION**

19 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Corporate Defendants, their officers,
20 agents, employees, and attorneys, and all other persons in active concert or
21 participation with any of them, who receive actual notice of this Order, whether
22 acting directly or indirectly, in connection with the manufacturing, labeling,
23 advertising, promotion, offering for sale, sale, or distribution of any Covered
24 Product are permanently restrained and enjoined from making, or assisting others
25 in making, expressly or by implication, including through the use of a product
26 name, endorsement, depiction, or illustration, any representation that such product:

- 27 A. Helps users quit smoking, including any specific representation about
28 success rates or the ease or speed of quitting;

- 1 B. Causes or assists in causing weight loss, including any specific
- 2 representation about the amount of weight loss;
- 3 C. Suppresses or helps suppress appetite;
- 4 D. Causes or assists in causing weight loss without dieting or any change
- 5 in food or lifestyle;
- 6 E. Helps users avoid gaining back any weight they lost;
- 7 F. Increases ejaculation control or the duration of sex;
- 8 G. Treats or prevents premature ejaculation;
- 9 H. Cures, mitigates, or treats any disease; or
- 10 I. Is comparable or superior to other treatments for quitting smoking,
- 11 weight loss, or sexual performance, or in curing, mitigating, or
- 12 treating any disease,

13 unless the representation is non-misleading, and, at the time of making such
14 representation, Corporate Defendants possess and rely upon competent and reliable
15 scientific evidence substantiating that the representation is true. For purposes of
16 this Section, competent and reliable scientific evidence must consist of human
17 clinical testing of the product, or of an Essentially Equivalent Product, that is
18 sufficient in quality and quantity based on standards generally accepted by experts
19 in the relevant disease, condition, or function to which the representation relates,
20 when considered in light of the entire body of relevant and reliable scientific
21 evidence, to substantiate that the representation is true. Such testing must be: (1)
22 randomized, double-blind, and placebo-controlled; and (2) conducted by
23 researchers qualified by training and experience to conduct such testing. In
24 addition, all underlying or supporting data and documents generally accepted by
25 experts in the field as relevant to an assessment of such testing as described in the
26 Section entitled Preservation of Records Relating to Competent and Reliable
27 Human Clinical Tests or Studies must be available for inspection and production to
28

1 the Commission. Persons covered by this Section have the burden of proving that
2 a product satisfies the definition of Essentially Equivalent Product.

3 **VI. PROHIBITED REPRESENTATIONS: OTHER HEALTH-RELATED**
4 **CLAIMS**

5 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Corporate Defendants, their officers,
6 agents, employees, and attorneys, and all other persons in active concert or
7 participation with any of them, who receive actual notice of this Order, whether
8 acting directly or indirectly, in connection with the manufacturing, labeling,
9 advertising, promotion, offering for sale, sale, or distribution of any Covered
10 Product, are permanently restrained and enjoined from making, or assisting others
11 in making, expressly or by implication, including through the use of a product
12 name, endorsement, depiction, or illustration, any representation, other than
13 representations covered under the Section of this Order entitled Prohibited
14 Representations: Regarding Health-Related Claims Requiring Human Clinical
15 Testing For Substantiation, about the health benefits, performance, efficacy, safety,
16 or side effects of the product, unless the representation is non-misleading, and, at
17 the time of making such representation, Corporate Defendants possess and rely
18 upon competent and reliable scientific evidence that is sufficient in quality and
19 quantity based on standards generally accepted by experts in the relevant disease,
20 condition, or function to which the representation relates, when considered in light
21 of the entire body of relevant and reliable scientific evidence, to substantiate that
22 the representation is true.

23 For purposes of this Section, competent and reliable scientific evidence
24 means tests, analyses, research, or studies (1) that have been conducted and
25 evaluated in an objective manner by experts in the relevant disease, condition, or
26 function to which the representation relates; (2) that are generally accepted by such
27 experts to yield accurate and reliable results; and (3) that are randomized, double-
28 blind, and placebo-controlled human clinical testing of the Covered Product, or of

1 an Essentially Equivalent Product, when such experts would generally require such
2 human clinical testing to substantiate that the representation is true. In addition,
3 when such tests or studies are human clinical tests or studies, all underlying or
4 supporting data and documents generally accepted by experts in the field as
5 relevant to an assessment of such testing as set forth in the Section entitled
6 Preservation of Records Relating to Competent and Reliable Human Clinical Tests
7 or Studies must be available for inspection and production to the Commission.
8 Persons covered by this Section have the burden of proving that a product satisfies
9 the definition of Essentially Equivalent Product.

10 **VII. PRESERVATION OF RECORDS RELATING TO COMPETENT**
11 **AND RELIABLE HUMAN CLINICAL TESTS OR STUDIES**

12 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, with regard to any human clinical test
13 or study (“test”) upon which Corporate Defendants rely to substantiate any claim
14 covered by this Order, they shall secure and preserve all underlying or supporting
15 data and documents generally accepted by experts in the field as relevant to an
16 assessment of the test, including:

- 17 A. All protocols and protocol amendments, reports, articles, write-ups, or
18 other accounts of the results of the test, and drafts of such documents
19 reviewed by the test sponsor or any other person not employed by the
20 research entity;
- 21 B. All documents referring or relating to recruitment; randomization;
22 instructions, including oral instructions, to participants; and
23 participant compliance;
- 24 C. Documents sufficient to identify all test participants, including any
25 participants who did not complete the test, and all communications
26 with any participants relating to the test; all raw data collected from
27 participants enrolled in the test, including any participants who did not
28

1 complete the test; source documents for such data; any data
2 dictionaries; and any case report forms;

3 D. All documents referring or relating to any statistical analysis of any
4 test data, including any pretest analysis, intent-to-treat analysis, or
5 between-group analysis performed on any test data; and

6 E. All documents referring or relating to the sponsorship of the test,
7 including all communications and contracts between any sponsor and
8 the test's researchers.

9 *Provided, however,* the preceding preservation requirement does not apply to a
10 reliably reported test, unless the test was conducted, controlled, or sponsored, in
11 whole or in part by: (1) Corporate Defendants; (2) their officers, agents,
12 representatives, or employees; (3) any other person or entity in active concert or
13 participation with Corporate Defendants; (4) any person or entity affiliated with or
14 acting on behalf of Corporate Defendants; (5) any supplier of any ingredient
15 contained in the product at issue to any of the foregoing or to the product's
16 manufacturer; or (6) the supplier or manufacturer of such product.

17 For purposes of this Section, "reliably reported test" means a report of the
18 test has been published in a peer-reviewed journal, and such published report
19 provides sufficient information about the test for experts in the relevant field to
20 assess the reliability of the results.

21 For any test conducted, controlled, or sponsored, in whole or in part, by or
22 on behalf of, Corporate Defendants, they must establish and maintain reasonable
23 procedures to protect the confidentiality, security, and integrity of any personal
24 information collected from or about participants. These procedures must be
25 documented in writing and must contain administrative, technical, and physical
26 safeguards appropriate to the size and complexity of the entity sponsoring the test,
27 the nature and scope of that entity's activities, and the sensitivity of the personal
28 information collected from or about the participants.

1 **VIII. PROHIBITED REPRESENTATIONS: TESTS, STUDIES, OR**
2 **OTHER RESEARCH**

3 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Corporate Defendants, their officers,
4 agents, employees, and attorneys, and all other persons in active concert or
5 participation with any of them, who receive actual notice of this Order, whether
6 acting directly or indirectly, in connection with the manufacturing, labeling,
7 advertising, promotion, offering for sale, sale, or distribution of any Covered
8 Product are permanently restrained and enjoined from misrepresenting, or assisting
9 others in misrepresenting, expressly or by implication, including through the use of
10 any product name, endorsement, depiction, or illustration:

- 11 A. That the product is clinically proven to:
- 12 1. Help users quit smoking, including any specific representation
 - 13 about success rates or the ease or speed of quitting;
 - 14 2. Cause or assist in causing weight loss, including any specific
 - 15 representation about the amount of weight loss;
 - 16 3. Suppress or help suppress appetite;
 - 17 4. Cause or assist in causing weight loss without dieting or any
 - 18 change in food or lifestyle;
 - 19 5. Help users avoid gaining back any weight they lost;
 - 20 6. Increase ejaculation control or the duration of sex;
 - 21 7. Treat or prevent premature ejaculation; or
 - 22 8. Be comparable or superior to other treatments for quitting
 - 23 smoking.
- 24 B. That the performance or benefits of the product are scientifically or
- 25 clinically proven or otherwise established; or
- 26 The existence, contents, validity, results, conclusions, or
- 27 interpretations of any test, study, or other research.
- 28

1 **IX. FDA-APPROVED CLAIMS**

2 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that nothing in this Order prohibits
3 Corporate Defendants, their officers, agents, employees, and attorneys, or all other
4 persons in active concert or participation with any of them from:

5 A. For any Drug product, making a representation that is approved for
6 inclusion in labeling for such Drug product under a new drug application or
7 biologics license application approved by the Food and Drug Administration, or,
8 for any nonprescription Drug product authorized by Section 505G of the Food,
9 Drug, and Cosmetics Act, 21 U.S.C. § 355h (“FDCA”) to be marketed without an
10 approved new drug application, making a representation that is permitted or
11 required to appear in its labeling in accordance with Section 505G(a)(1)-(3) of the
12 FDCA, 21 U.S.C. § 355h(a)(1)-(3), or a final administrative order under Section
13 505G(b) of the FDCA, 21 U.S.C. § 355h(b); and

14 B. For any product, making a representation that is specifically
15 authorized for use in labeling for such product by regulations promulgated by the
16 Food and Drug Administration pursuant to the Nutrition Labeling and Education
17 Act of 1990 or permitted under Sections 303-304 of the Food and Drug
18 Administration Modernization Act of 1997.

19 **X. PROHIBITED MISREPRESENTATIONS: ENDORSEMENTS**

20 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Corporate Defendants, their officers,
21 agents, employees, and attorneys, and all other persons in active concert or
22 participation with any of them, who receive actual notice of this Order, whether
23 acting directly or indirectly, in connection with the manufacturing, labeling,
24 advertising, promotion, offering for sale, sale, or distribution of any Good or
25 Service, are permanently restrained and enjoined from making, or assisting others
26 in making, any misrepresentation, expressly or by implication, (1) about the status
27 of any endorser or person providing a review of the Good or Service, including a
28 misrepresentation that the endorser or reviewer is an independent or ordinary user

1 of the Good or Service, or (2) that any person or organization has endorsed any
2 Good or Service.

3 **XI. PROHIBITED MISREPRESENTATIONS: U.S. ORIGIN CLAIMS**

4 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Corporate Defendants, their officers,
5 agents, employees, and attorneys, and all other persons in active concert or
6 participation with any of them, who receive actual notice of this Order, whether
7 acting directly or indirectly, in connection with the manufacturing, labeling,
8 advertising, promotion, offering for sale, sale, or distribution of any Good or
9 Service, or any other product, are permanently restrained and enjoined from
10 making, or assisting others in making, any representation, expressly or by
11 implication, that it is Made in the United States unless:

- 12 A. The final assembly or processing of the product occurs in the United
13 States, all significant processing that goes into the product occurs in
14 the United States, and all or virtually all ingredients or components of
15 the product are made and sourced in the United States; or
16 B. A Clear and Conspicuous qualification appears immediately adjacent
17 to the representation that accurately conveys the extent to which the
18 product contains foreign parts, ingredients or components, and/or
19 processing; or
20 C. For a claim that a product is assembled in the United States, the
21 product is last substantially transformed in the United States, the
22 product's principal assembly takes place in the United States, and
23 United States assembly operations are substantial.

24 **XII. PROHIBITED REPRESENTATIONS: EARNINGS CLAIMS**

25 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Corporate Defendants, their officers,
26 agents, employees, and attorneys, and all other persons in active concert or
27 participation with any of them, who receive actual notice of this Order, whether
28 acting directly or indirectly, in connection with the advertising, marketing,

1 promotion, offering for sale, or sale of any Good or Service, including Business
2 Ventures or Investment Opportunities, are permanently restrained and enjoined
3 from:

4 A. Misrepresenting, or assisting others in misrepresenting, expressly or
5 by implication, including through the use of any program name,
6 endorsement, lifestyle description, depiction, or illustration, any
7 material fact, including:

- 8 1. That participants will or are likely to achieve substantial sales or
9 earn substantial income or profit;
- 10 2. The amount of sales, income, or profit that participants have
11 actually earned;
- 12 3. The amount of time or effort required to earn an amount of
13 compensation or to advance; or
- 14 4. The total costs or any material restrictions, limitations, or
15 conditions;

16 B. Making any representation, expressly or by implication, including
17 through the use of any program name, endorsement, lifestyle
18 description, depiction, or illustration, regarding the amount of sales,
19 income, or profit that a participant can expect to earn, including that
20 participants will or are likely to achieve substantial sales or earn
21 substantial income or profit, unless the representation is non-
22 misleading, and, at the time such representation is made, Corporate
23 Defendants possess and rely upon competent and reliable evidence
24 that is sufficient to substantiate that the representation is true.

25 **XIII. PROHIBITED MISREPRESENTATIONS: OTHER MATERIAL**
26 **FACTS**

27 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Corporate Defendants, their officers,
28 agents, employees, and attorneys, and all other persons in active concert or

1 participation with any of them, who receive actual notice of this Order, whether
2 acting directly or indirectly, in connection with the manufacturing, labeling,
3 advertising, promoting, offering for sale, sale, or distribution of any Good or
4 Service are permanently restrained and enjoined from misrepresenting, or assisting
5 others in misrepresenting, expressly or by implication, including through the use of
6 any product name, endorsement, depiction, or illustration, any material fact
7 concerning such Good or Service, including:

- 8 A. The success rate or rate of customer satisfaction;
- 9 B. The total costs;
- 10 C. Any refund policy;
- 11 D. Any material restrictions, limitations, or conditions, including any
12 conditions that might limit certain consumers' ability to obtain the full
13 benefits of the proffered Good or Service;
- 14 E. Any material aspect of its performance, efficacy, nature, or central
15 characteristics, including that the benefits of the proffered Good or
16 Service can be obtained quickly or easily;
- 17 F. Any cost to the consumer to purchase, receive, use, or return the Good
18 or Service;
- 19 G. That the consumer will not be Charged for any Good or Service;
- 20 H. That a Good or Service is offered on a "free," "trial," "sample,"
21 "bonus," "gift," "no obligation," or "discounted" basis, or words of
22 similar import, denoting or implying the absence of an obligation on
23 the part of the recipient of the offer to affirmatively act in order to
24 avoid Charges, including where a Charge will be assessed pursuant to
25 the offer unless the consumer takes affirmative steps to prevent or
26 stop such a Charge;
- 27 I. The timing or manner of any Charge or bill;
- 28

- 1 J. That the consumer can obtain a Good or Service for a processing,
- 2 service, shipping, handling, or administrative fee with no further
- 3 obligation;
- 4 K. The purpose(s) for which the consumer's Billing Information will be
- 5 used;
- 6 L. The date by which the consumer will incur any obligation or be
- 7 Charged unless the consumer takes affirmative steps to prevent or stop
- 8 such a Charge;
- 9 M. That a transaction has been authorized by the consumer; or
- 10 N. Any material aspect of the nature or terms of a refund, cancellation,
- 11 exchange, or repurchase policy for the Good or Service.

12 **XIV. PROHIBITIONS CONCERNING REFUNDS**

13 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Corporate Defendants, their officers,

14 agents, employees, and attorneys, and all other persons in active concert or

15 participation with any of them, who receive actual notice of this Order, whether

16 acting directly or indirectly, in connection with the manufacturing, labeling,

17 advertising, promotion, offering for sale, sale, or distribution of any Good or

18 Service, are permanently restrained and enjoined from failing to honor a refund,

19 return, or cancellation request that complies with any policy of Corporate

20 Defendants to make refunds or allow returns or cancellations.

21 **XV. PROHIBITIONS RELATED TO MERCHANT ACCOUNTS**

22 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Corporate Defendants, their officers,

23 agents, employees, and attorneys, and all other persons in active concert or

24 participation with any of them, who receive actual notice of this Order are

25 permanently restrained and enjoined from:

- 26 A. Credit Card Laundering;
- 27
- 28

- 1 B. Making, or assisting others in making, directly or by implication, any
2 false or misleading statement in order to obtain Payment Processing
3 services;
- 4 C. Failing to disclose to an Acquiring Bank or other Financial Institution,
5 service provider, payment processor, independent sales organization,
6 or other entity that enables a person to accept payments of any kind
7 any material information related to a Merchant Account including, but
8 not limited to, the identity of any owner, manager, director, or officer
9 of the applicant for or holder of a Merchant Account, and any
10 connection between an owner, manager, director, or officer of the
11 applicant for or holder of a Merchant Account and any third person
12 who has been or is placed in a Merchant Account monitoring
13 program, had a Merchant Account terminated by a payment processor
14 or a Financial Institution, or has been fined or otherwise disciplined in
15 connection with a Merchant Account by a payment processor or a
16 Financial Institution; and
- 17 D. Engaging in any tactics to avoid fraud-and-risk-monitoring programs
18 established by any Financial Institution, Acquiring Bank, or the
19 operators of any payment system, including, but not limited to, tactics
20 such as balancing or distributing sales transactions among multiple
21 Merchant Accounts or merchant billing descriptors; splitting a single
22 sales transaction into multiple smaller transactions; or using a shell
23 company to apply for a Merchant Account.

24 **XVI. PROHIBITION AGAINST UNAUTHORIZED CHARGES**

25 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Corporate Defendants, their officers,
26 agents, employees, and attorneys, and all other persons in active concert or
27 participation with any of them, who receive actual notice of this Order, whether
28 acting directly or indirectly, in connection with the advertising, promotion, offering

1 for sale, or sale of any Good or Service, are permanently restrained and enjoined
2 from Charging, causing to be Charged, assisting others in Charging, or attempting
3 to Charge any consumer, without obtaining the consumer's express informed
4 consent to the Charge and having created and maintained a record of such consent.

5 **XVII. PROHIBITION AGAINST DEBITING CONSUMERS' BANK**
6 **ACCOUNTS WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION**

7 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Corporate Defendants, their officers,
8 agents, employees, and attorneys, and all other persons in active concert or
9 participation with any of them, who receive actual notice of this Order, whether
10 acting directly or indirectly, in connection with the sale of any Good or Service,
11 are permanently restrained and enjoined from:

- 12 A. Failing to timely obtain written authorization signed or similarly
13 authenticated by the consumer for any Preauthorized Electronic Fund
14 Transfer from a consumer's account before initiating any
15 Preauthorized Electronic Fund Transfer; and
16 B. Failing to provide to the consumer a copy of a valid written
17 authorization signed or similarly authenticated by the consumer for
18 any Preauthorized Electronic Fund Transfer from a consumer's
19 account.

20 **XVIII. CUSTOMER INFORMATION**

21 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that:

- 22 A. Corporate Defendants, their officers, agents, employees, and
23 attorneys, and all other persons in active concert or participation with any of
24 them, who receive actual notice of this Order, whether acting directly or
25 indirectly, are permanently restrained and enjoined from:
26 1. Disclosing, using, or benefitting from, or assisting others in
27 disclosing, using, or benefitting from, customer information,
28 including the name, address, telephone number, email address,

1 social security number, other identifying information, or any
2 data that enables access to a customer's account (including a
3 credit card, bank account, or other financial account), that
4 Corporate Defendants obtained prior to entry of this Order in
5 connection with the advertising, promotion, offering for sale, or
6 sale of Defendants' oral film strips or Rengalife; and

- 7 2. Failing to destroy such customer information in all forms in
8 their possession, custody, or control within 30 days after entry
9 of this Order.

10 *Provided, however,* that customer information need not be disposed
11 of, and may be disclosed, to the extent requested by a government
12 agency or required by law, regulation, or court order.

13 B. Upon termination of the receivership, the Receiver shall not return
14 any customer information to the Defendants.

15 **XIX. ORDER ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

16 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Corporate Defendants obtain
17 acknowledgments of receipt of this Order:

18 A. Corporate Defendants, within 7 days of entry of this Order, must
19 submit to the Commission an acknowledgment of receipt of this Order
20 sworn under penalty of perjury.

21 B. For 20 years after entry of this Order, Corporate Defendants for any
22 business that such Defendant, individually or collectively with any
23 other Defendants, is the majority owner or controls directly or
24 indirectly, must deliver a copy of this Order to: (1) all principals,
25 officers, directors, and LLC managers and members; (2) all
26 employees having managerial responsibilities for conduct related to
27 the subject matter of the Order and all agents and representatives who
28 participate in conduct related to the subject matter of the Order; and

1 (3) any business entity resulting from any change in structure as set
2 forth in the Section titled Compliance Reporting. Delivery must occur
3 within 7 days of entry of this Order for current personnel. For all
4 others, delivery must occur before they assume their responsibilities.

5 C. From each individual or entity to which Corporate Defendants
6 delivered a copy of this Order, that Defendant must obtain, within 30
7 days, a signed and dated acknowledgment of receipt of this Order.

8 **XX. COMPLIANCE REPORTING**

9 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Corporate Defendants make timely
10 submissions to the Commission:

11 A. One year after entry of this Order, Corporate Defendants must each
12 submit a compliance report, sworn under penalty of perjury. Each of
13 them must:

- 14 1. Identify all telephone numbers and all physical, postal, email and
15 Internet addresses, including all residences;
- 16 2. Identify all business activities, including any business for which
17 such Defendant performs services whether as an employee or
18 otherwise and any entity in which such Defendant has any
19 ownership interest;
- 20 3. Describe in detail such Defendant's involvement in each such
21 business, including title, role, responsibilities, participation,
22 authority, control, and any ownership;
- 23 4. Identify the primary physical, postal, and email address and
24 telephone number, as designated points of contact, which
25 representatives of the Commission may use to communicate with
26 Defendant;

- 1 5. Identify all of that Defendant's businesses by all of their names,
2 telephone numbers, and physical, postal, email, and Internet
3 addresses;
- 4 6. Describe the activities of each business, including the Goods or
5 Services offered, the means of manufacturing, labeling,
6 advertising, promotion, offering for sale, sale or distribution, and
7 the involvement of any other Defendant (which Corporate
8 Defendants must describe if they know or should know due to their
9 own involvement);
- 10 7. Describe in detail whether and how that Defendant is in
11 compliance with each Section of this Order; and
- 12 8. Provide a copy of each Order Acknowledgment obtained pursuant
13 to this Order, unless previously submitted to the Commission.

14 B. For 20 years after entry of this Order, Corporate Defendants must
15 each submit a compliance notice, sworn under penalty of perjury,
16 within 14 days of any change in the following:

- 17 1. Name, including aliases or fictitious name, or residence address;
- 18 2. Title or role in any business activity, including any business for
19 which such Defendant performs services whether as an employee
20 or otherwise and any entity in which such Defendant has any
21 ownership interest, and identify the name, physical address, and
22 any Internet address of the business or entity;
- 23 3. Any designated point of contact; or
- 24 4. The structure of any entity that such Defendant has any ownership
25 interest in or controls directly or indirectly that may affect
26 compliance obligations arising under this Order, including:
27 creation, merger, sale, or dissolution of the entity or any
28

1 subsidiary, parent, or affiliate that engages in any acts or practices
2 subject to this Order.

3 C. Corporate Defendants must submit to the Commission notice of the
4 filing of any bankruptcy petition, insolvency proceeding, or similar
5 proceeding by or against such Defendant within 14 days of its filing.

6 D. Any submission to the Commission required by this Order to be
7 sworn under penalty of perjury must be true and accurate and comply
8 with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, such as by concluding: “I declare under
9 penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that
10 the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on: _____” and supplying
11 the date, signatory’s full name, title (if applicable), and signature.

12 E. Unless otherwise directed by a Commission representative in writing,
13 all submissions to the Commission pursuant to this Order must be
14 emailed to DEbrief@ftc.gov or sent by overnight courier (not the U.S.
15 Postal Service) to: Associate Director for Enforcement, Bureau of
16 Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania
17 Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20580. The subject line must begin:
18 FTC v. Jason Cardiff, et al., X190001.

19 **XXI. RECORDKEEPING**

20 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Corporate Defendants must create
21 certain records for 20 years after entry of the Order, and retain each such record for
22 5 years. Specifically, Corporate Defendants, for any business that each such
23 Defendant, individually or collectively with any other Defendant, is a majority
24 owner or controls directly or indirectly, must create and retain the following
25 records:

26 A. Accounting records showing the revenues from all Goods or Services
27 sold;

- 1 B. Personnel records showing, for each person providing services,
2 whether as an employee or otherwise, that person's: name; addresses;
3 telephone numbers; job title or position; dates of service; and (if
4 applicable) the reason for termination;
- 5 C. Records of all consumer complaints and refund requests concerning
6 the subject matter of this Order, whether received directly or
7 indirectly, such as through a third party, and any response;
- 8 D. All records necessary to demonstrate full compliance with each
9 provision of this Order, including all submissions to the Commission;
10 and
- 11 E. A copy of each unique advertisement or other marketing material.

12 **XXII. COMPLIANCE MONITORING**

13 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, for the purpose of monitoring
14 Corporate Defendants' compliance with this Order:

- 15 A. Within 14 days of receipt of a written request from a representative of
16 the Commission, Corporate Defendants each must: submit additional
17 compliance reports or other requested information, which must be
18 sworn under penalty of perjury; appear for depositions; and produce
19 documents for inspection and copying. The Commission is also
20 authorized to obtain discovery, without further leave of court, using
21 any of the procedures prescribed by Federal Rules of Civil Procedure
22 29, 30 (including telephonic depositions), 31, 33, 34, 36, 45, and 69.
- 23 B. For matters concerning this Order, the Commission is authorized to
24 communicate directly with Corporate Defendants. Corporate
25 Defendants must permit representatives of the Commission to
26 interview any employee or other person affiliated with any Defendant
27 who has agreed to such an interview. The person interviewed may
28 have counsel present.

1 C. The Commission may use all other lawful means, including posing,
2 through its representatives, as consumers, suppliers, or other
3 individuals or entities, to Defendants or any individual or entity
4 affiliated with Defendants, without the necessity of identification or
5 prior notice. Nothing in this Order limits the Commission’s lawful
6 use of compulsory process, pursuant to Sections 9 and 20 of the FTC
7 Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 49, 57b-1.

8 D. Upon written request from a representative of the Commission, any
9 consumer reporting agency must furnish consumer reports concerning
10 Corporate Defendants, pursuant to Section 604(1) of the Fair Credit
11 Reporting Act, 15 U.S.C. §1681b(a)(1).

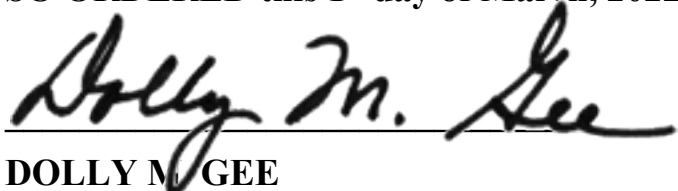
12 **XXIII. EXPIRATION OF PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION PROVISIONS**

13 A. Upon entry of this Order, the provisions of the Preliminary Injunction
14 [Doc. # 46], including the asset freeze and receivership, shall expire,
15 except to the extent provided in the Court’s February 28, 2022 Order
16 regarding discharge of the Receiver [Doc. # 702]. Upon the
17 Receiver’s completion of the tasks described in paragraphs 5 through
18 11 of that Order, and the Court’s approval of the Receiver’s final
19 report, the Receiver will be discharged for all purposes.
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28

1 **XXIII. RETENTION OF JURISDICTION**

2 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that this Court retains jurisdiction of this
3 matter for purposes of construction, modification, and enforcement of this Order.

4
5 **SO ORDERED** this 1st day of March, 2022.

6 
7

8 **DOLLY M. GEE**
9 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**

10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28