UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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The Secretary, United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, Charging Party, On behalf of:

Nicole Williams,

Complainant

v.

Quang Dangtran, Ha Nguyen, and HQD Enterprise, LLC,

Respondents.

HUDOHA: 19-AF-0148-FH-015

ORDER ON RESPONDENTS' PETITION FOR REVIEW OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S INITIAL DECISION AND ORDER

On January 2, 2023, Quang Dangtran, Ha Nguyen, and HQD Enterprise, LLC ("Respondents") filed an Appellant Brief ("Appeal") in response to the Initial Decision and Order ("Initial Decision") issued by Deputy Chief Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") Alexander Fernández-Pons on December 9, 2022, finding in favor of Complainant Nicole Williams Respondents submitted the petition to the ALJ and the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development ("Charging Party"), not the Secretary, Secretary's designee, or the Secretarial Review Clerk as specified by the regulations and the ALJ's Initial Decision. The petition was later forwarded to the Secretarial Review Clerk on January 3, 2023. On January 4, 2023, the Charging Party filed a response contending the Appellant Brief was filed untimely.

Pursuant to 24 C.F.R. § 180.675(b), any party adversely affected by the ALJ's initial decision may file a motion with the Secretary or the Secretary's designee. The petition must be received by the Secretary or the Secretary's designee within 15 days after issuance of the initial decision. *Id.* at 180.675(d). Here, the deadline to submit an Appeal to the appropriate parties

was December 24, 2022. Respondents' Appeal, which was not properly served on the appropriate parties, was untimely filed. Therefore, Respondents' petition is **DENIED**.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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Dated this 6 day of January, 2023

Adrianne Todman Secretarial Designee

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify on January 6, 2023, the *Order on Secretarial Review*, issued by Adrianne Todman, Secretarial Designee, in *HUD v. Quang Dangtran, HUDOHA: 19-AF-0148-FH-015*, was served on the following parties in the manner indicated:

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