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STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

CINDY SPRINGSTON,

Petitioner,

VS.

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES,

Respondent.

Case No. 02-1346 Rendition No. DCF-02-

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**FINAL ORDER** 

THIS CAUSE is before me as the result of a Recommended Order (RO) that was issued by an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) assigned by the Division of Administrative Hearings, to hear this case. Transcript of the hearing was not filed. Neither the Petitioner nor the Respondent filed a Proposed Recommended Order. No exceptions were filed to the ALJ's RO.

I accept, adopt and incorporate herein, the recommendation of the Recommended Order.

And the undersigned being otherwise duly advised, the Petitioner's application for licensure as a foster parent is hereby granted.

DONE and ORDERED on this day of Multiple , 2002 in

Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida

Deputy Secretary

Department of Children and Family Services

Copies of this Final Order are being furnished to:

Diane Cleavinger
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Division of Administrative Hearings
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## **NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL**

A party who is adversely affected by this final order is entitled to judicial review. To initiate judicial review, the party seeking it must file one copy of a "Notice of Appeal" with the Agency Clerk. The party seeking judicial review must also file another copy of the "Notice of Appeal," accompanied by the filing fee required by law, with the First District Court of Appeal in Tallahassee, Florida, OR with the District Court of Appeal in the district where the party resides. The Notices must be filed within thirty (30) days of the rendition of this final order.

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing FINAL ORDER has

been sent by U.S. Mail or hand delivery to each of the persons named above on

this 18th day of Accenter, 2002.

PAUL FLOUNLACKER, Agency Clerk

Department of Children and Family Services 1317 Winewood Blvd. Bldg. 2 Room 204

Tailahassee, FL 32399-0700

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The date of the "rendition" of this Final Order is the date that is stamped on its first page. The Notices of Appeal must be <u>received</u> on or before the thirtieth day after that date.