UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

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FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

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In re: AVERY ARMANI,

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Petitioner,

V.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES,

Respondent,

NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY,

Real Party in Interest.

No. 17-70244

D.C. No.

2:13-cv-07058-RSWL-RZ

ORDER*

Petition for Writ of Mandamus to the United States District Court for the Central District of California

Submitted April 7, 2017**
San Francisco, California

^{*} This disposition is not appropriate for publication and is not precedent except as provided by Ninth Circuit Rule 36-3.

^{**} The panel unanimously concludes this case is suitable for decision without oral argument. *See* Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

Before: D.W. NELSON and PAEZ, Circuit Judges, and BUCKLO,*** District Judge.

The petition for a writ of mandamus is granted. We vacate the district court's January 26, 2017 order and direct the district court to enter judgment for the petitioner awarding him payment of his long-term disability benefits, interest, attorney fees, and costs, and reinstatement of the long-term disability policy.

The Clerk shall serve this order on the district court.

PETITION GRANTED.

^{***} The Honorable Elaine E. Bucklo, United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, sitting by designation.