

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
BEFORE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION**

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In the matter of	)	
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<b>NATIONAL ACADEMY</b>	)	File No. 011-0242
<b>OF ARBITRATORS,</b>	)	
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a corporation.	)	
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**AGREEMENT CONTAINING CONSENT ORDER**

The Federal Trade Commission (“Commission”), having initiated an investigation of certain acts and practices of the National Academy of Arbitrators (“NAA”), and it now appearing that NAA, hereinafter sometimes referred to as “Proposed Respondent,” is willing to enter into this Agreement Containing Consent Order (“Consent Agreement”) providing for relief with respect to such practices:

IT IS HEREBY AGREED by and between Proposed Respondent, by its duly authorized officers and attorneys, and counsel for the Commission that:

1. Proposed Respondent National Academy of Arbitrators, is a corporation organized, existing and doing business under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Michigan with its office and principal place of business located at Suite 600-A, 1121 Boyce Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15241.
2. Proposed Respondent admits all the jurisdictional facts set forth in the draft of Complaint here attached.
3. Proposed Respondent waives:
  - (a) any further procedural steps;

(b) the requirement that the Commission's Decision and Order ("Order"), here

and Order or the Consent Agreement may be used to vary or contradict the terms of the Decision and Order.

7. By signing this Consent Agreement, Proposed Respondent represents and warrants that it can comply with the provisions of, and can accomplish the full relief contemplated by, the attached Decision and Order, and that all parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, and successors necessary to effectuate the full relief contemplated by this Consent Agreement are parties to the Consent Agreement.
8. Proposed Respondent has read the proposed Complaint and Decision and Order contemplated hereby. It understands that once the Decision and Order has been issued, it will be required to file one or more compliance reports showing that it has fully complied with the Decision and Order. Proposed Respondent further understands that it may be liable for civil penalties in the amount provided by law for each violation of the Decision and Order after it becomes final.

Signed this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_ 2002.

National Academy of Arbitrators

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