New York State  
Department of Economic Development  
Division of Minority and Women’s  
Business Development

In the matter of the appeal of

**GLB Interiors, LLC**  

From a denial of certification as a Women-owned Business Enterprise pursuant to Executive Law Article 15-A.

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This order arises from an administrative appeal brought on behalf of GLB Interiors, LLC ("GLB") pursuant to section 144.4 of title 5 of the New York Codes, Rules and Regulations. Appellant seeks reversal of the decision of the Division of Minority and Women’s Business Development (the “Division”), dated January 09, 2017, to deny GLB certification as a Women-owned Business Enterprise (“WBE”).

This appeal was assigned to Administrative Law Judge Maria E. Villa. Appellant, represented by Joanna Chen, Esq. appeared at a hearing concerning this matter on December 05, 2017. Phillip Harmonick, Esq. represented the Division. A recording of the proceedings is contained in the appeal record.

The issue on appeal was whether GLB was an independent business enterprise.

On March 06, 2018, the Division received from Administrative Law Judge Villa a Recommended Order that recommended affirmation of the Division’s denial of the application to certify GLB as a WBE on the grounds set forth in the Division’s January 09, 2017 denial letter.

After considering the appeal record, I accept the recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge as it pertains to the facts of this case. Incorporation by reference is hereby made with respect to the findings and conclusions of the Recommended Order.
It is hereby **ORDERED** that the decision to deny certification, dated January 09, 2017, is affirmed. Accordingly, GLB will not be listed in the Division’s directory of certified Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprises.

March 15, 2018

Nicole Stent
Acting Executive Director
Division of Minority and Women’s Business Development