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DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

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In the Matter of an Appeal by:

No. 23A- 072 - INS

ZJAIRE RASHAD NEALY

CONSENT ORDER

Petitioner.

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The Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions ("Department") has received evidence that Zjaire Rashad Nealy ("Petitioner") violated provisions of Arizona Revised Statutes ("A.R.S.") Title 20. Petitioner wishes to resolve this matter without the commencement of formal proceedings, and admits the following Findings of Fact are true, and consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

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FINDINGS OF FACT

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On or about August 2, 2023, Petitioner submitted an application to the Department for an Arizona insurance producer license through the National Insurance

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Producer Registry (the "Application").

committing a misdemeanor?"

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While completing the Application, under Background Questions, Petitioner

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answered "No" to the following question, quoted in part, "[h]ave you ever been convicted

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of a misdemeanor, had a judgment withheld or deferred, or are you currently charged with

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3. Petitioner answered "Yes" to the Attestation section of the Application.

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- 4. Petitioner's criminal background check revealed that on or about October 27, 2016, in the United States District Court for the District of Arizona, Case No. 16-08762MJ-001, Petitioner entered guilty plea for a petty offense.
- 5. On or about August 18, 2023, the Department sent a letter to Petitioner requesting court documents related to the 2016 conviction. Petitioner failed to respond.
- 6. On or about September 13, 2023, the Department sent a letter to Petitioner informing him that his license application was denied due to "[p]roviding incorrect, misleading, incomplete or materially untrue information in the license application" and/or "[o]btaining or attempting to obtain a license through misrepresentation or fraud."
- 7. On or about September 21, 2023, Petitioner appealed the Department's denial and requested an informal settlement conference ("ISC").
- 8. On or about September 25, 2023, Petitioner provided the requested court documents to the Department.
- 9. The ISC was held on October 3, 2023, during which the parties agreed to a settlement.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 10. The Director has jurisdiction over this matter.
- 11. Petitioner's conduct, as described above, constitutes a violation of Title 20 or any rule, subpoena or order of the Director. A.R.S. § 20-295(A)(2).
- 12. Petitioner's conduct, as described above, constitutes providing incorrect and incomplete information in the license application. A.R.S. § 20-295(A)(1).
 - 13. Grounds exist for the Director to deny an insurance producer license. A.R.S.

CONSENT TO ORDER

- 1. Petitioner acknowledges that it has been served with a copy of the foregoing Consent Order in the above-referenced matter, has read it, is aware of its right to an administrative hearing in this matter and has knowingly and voluntarily waived that right.
- 2. Petitioner accepts the personal and subject matter jurisdiction of the Department over it in this matter.
- 3. Petitioner acknowledges that no promise of any kind or nature has been made to induce it to sign the Consent to Order and it has done so knowingly and voluntarily.
- 4. Petitioner acknowledges and agrees that the acceptance of this Consent to Order by the Director is solely to settle this matter and does not preclude the Department from instituting other proceedings as may be appropriate now or in the future. Furthermore, and notwithstanding any language in this Consent Order, this Consent Order does not preclude in any way any other state agency or officer or political subdivision of this state from instituting proceedings, investigating claims, or taking legal action as may be appropriate now or in the future relating to this matter or other matters concerning Petitioner, including but not limited to violations of Arizona's Consumer Fraud Act. Petitioner acknowledges that, other than with respect to the Department, this Consent Order makes no representations, implied or otherwise, about the views or intended actions of any other state agency or officer or political subdivision of the state relating to this matter or other matters concerning Petitioner.
- 5. Petitioner acknowledges and agrees that failure to correct the violations set forth above in this Consent Order, or any repeat findings of the above violations in the

future, can result in disciplinary action which may include a greater civil money penalty and suspension or revocation of its license.

- 6. Petitioner waives all rights to seek an administrative or judicial review or otherwise to challenge or contest the validity of this Consent Order and its accompanying parts before any court of competent jurisdiction.
- 7. Petitioner acknowledges that this Consent Order is an administrative action that the Department will report to the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC). Petitioner further acknowledges that it must report this administrative action to any and all states in which Petitioner holds an insurance license and must disclose this administrative action on any license application.

jo/12/2023 DATE

ZJAIRE RASHAD NEALY