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NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

CHECK NO. [REDACTED]
CHECK AMT. STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
PROCESSOR [REDACTED]
COUNTY OF WAKE

BEFORE THE
COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

IN THE MATTER OF:

THE LICENSURE OF
JEREMY STRAUSER
NPN #17405111 17408511

CONSENT ORDER AND
FINAL AGENCY DECISION

Docket Number: 1897

Respondent.

THIS CAUSE came on to be heard before the undersigned Hearing Officer, as designated by the North Carolina Commissioner of Insurance pursuant to North Carolina General Statute §58-2-55.

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Insurance (hereafter, "Department") has the authority and responsibility for the enforcement of insurance laws in this State, and for regulating and licensing insurance agents; and

WHEREAS, Respondent is licensed a non-resident agent that resides in San Antonio, Texas; and

WHEREAS, Respondent was issued Personal Lines licensure in October 2014 by Agent Services Division of the Department and said license was subsequently renewed and are current; and

WHEREAS, Respondent was convicted of Assault Bodily Injury in Bexar County District Court in Bexar, Texas on July 13, 2016. While Respondent later appealed the conviction, the conviction was affirmed; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statutes §58-2-69(c), which provides that "if a licensee is convicted in any court of competent jurisdiction for any crime or offense other than a motor vehicle infraction, the licensee shall notify the Commissioner in writing of the conviction within 10 days after the date of the conviction. As used in this subsection, 'conviction' includes an adjudication of guilt, a plea of guilty, or a plea of nolo contendere;" and

WHEREAS, Respondent failed to report this conviction to Agent Services as required by N.C. Gen. Stat. §58-2-69 (c); and

WHEREAS, N.C. Gen. Stat. §58-33-32(k) provides that “a producer shall report to the Commissioner any administrative action taken against the producer in another state or by another governmental agency in this State within 30 days after the final disposition of the matter;” and

WHEREAS, Respondent failed to report to Agent Services Division that on or about January 6, 2017, the State of Georgia Department of Insurance (hereinafter, “GADOI”) issued an Order of Suspension regarding Respondent’s insurance licenses. In its order, GADOI found that Respondent, who was issued personal lines license, was charged with Assault Bodily Injury and failed to respond to its request for production of documents sent to his address of record. The order was effective on January 27, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Respondent failed to timely report the administrative action taken by GADOI to Agent Services as required by N.C. Gen. Stat. § 58-33-32k; and

WHEREAS, the Parties mutually wish to resolve this matter by consent before the commencement of the administrative hearing currently scheduled in this matter concerning these violations; and

NOW THEREFORE, in exchange for the consideration of the promises and agreements set out herein, the Department and Respondent hereby agree to and waive any objections to the following:

1. Pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. § 58-2-70(g), the Commissioner of Insurance and the Department have the express authority to negotiate “a mutually acceptable agreement with any person as to the status of the person’s license or certificate or as to any civil penalty or restitution.”

2. Respondent **shall pay a civil penalty in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$ 500.00), due immediately upon execution of this agreement.** The payment of this civil penalty shall be by certified funds, to include certified bank check, cashier’s check, and money order made payable to the “North Carolina Department of Insurance.” This civil penalty shall be subject to disbursement in accordance with the provisions of Article IX, Section 7 of the North Carolina Constitution for the benefit of the public schools. **The check for the civil penalty and this executed Agreement shall be submitted to the Agent Services Division of the North Carolina Department of Insurance on or before July 2, 2018.**

3. Respondent shall comply with all provisions of Chapter 58 of the North Carolina General Statutes and Title 11 of the North Carolina Administrative Code that are applicable to a licensed insurance agent.

4. By signing this Consent Order, Respondent expressly and voluntarily waives any right to any further proceeding in this matter including the right to seek judicial review or to otherwise challenge the validity of this Consent Order.

5. This administrative action will be a public record and is not confidential. Any and all licenses issued by the Department to the licensee shall reflect that Regulatory Action has been taken against the licensee following the execution of this Consent Order. The Department is free to disclose the contents of this Consent Order with third parties upon request or pursuant to any law or policy providing for such disclosure.

6. Except as to the matters necessarily determined within the scope of this administrative proceeding, This Consent Order does not affect the Departments' power in any future examinations of Respondent, or in any other complaints involving Respondent.

This the 2nd day of August, 2018.



Sherri L. Hubbard
Hearing Officer
N.C. Department of Insurance
1201 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1201

WE CONSENTED:



Jeremy Strauser
1315 Laurel Lake
San Antonio, TX 78245

North Carolina Department of Insurance

By: _____

Teresa Knowles
Deputy Commissioner
Agent Services Division

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day served the foregoing **CONSENT ORDER AND FINAL AGENCY DECISION** by mailing a copy of the same via certified U.S. mail, return receipt requested and via first class U.S. mail to the licensee addressed as follows:

Jeremy Strauser
1315 Laurel Lake
San Antonio, TX 78245

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This the 22nd day of August, 2018.



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