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N. C. DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE AGENT SERVICES DIVISION
RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF WAKE

BEFORE THE COMMISSIONER
OF INSURANCE

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSURE
GABRIELLE NICOLE HUFFSTETLER
NPN: 20107295

VOLUNTARY SETTLEMENT
AGREEMENT

NOW COME, Gabrielle Nicole Huffstetler (hereinafter "Ms. Huffstetler") and the Agent Services Division of the N.C. Department of Insurance (hereinafter "Agent Services Division"), and hereby voluntarily and knowingly enter into the following Voluntary Settlement Agreement (hereinafter "this Agreement").

WHEREAS, the Agent Services Division has the authority and responsibility for enforcement of the insurance laws of this State, and for regulating and licensing insurance agencies and agents; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Huffstetler currently holds a Non-resident Adjuster license issued by the Agent Services Division; and

WHEREAS, N. C. Gen. Stat. § 58-33-46 (a) (1) provides that the Commissioner may place on probation, suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew any license issued under Article 33 of Chapter 58 of the General Statutes of North Carolina for providing materially incorrect, misleading, incomplete, or materially untrue information in the license application; and

WHEREAS, the Kansas Department of Insurance denied Ms. Huffstetler's September 01, 2022 application for a non-resident producer license effective May 08, 2023 for failure to provide all documentation regarding a prior felony charge of Possession of Methamphetamine (Felony) for which Ms. Huffstetler pled guilty in Tarrant County 372 District Court (TX), Case No. 143924ID on July 14, 2016, and for which adjudication was withheld and Ms. Huffstetler was placed on community supervision for three (3) years; and.

WHEREAS, Ms. Huffstetler, on her applications for North Carolina non-resident adjuster's licenses dated May 17, 2023 and renewal application dated February 14, 2024, did not include information on both applications regarding the action taken by the Kansas Department of Insurance as requested and required by law thereon; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Huffstetler's failure to include information of the action taken by the Kansas Department of Insurance on her applications for licensure as a non-resident adjuster was in violation of the provisions of N. C. Gen. Stat. § 58-33-46 (a) (1); and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute § 58-33-46(a)(2) provides that the Commissioner may place on probation, suspend, revoke, or refuse to issue or renew any license issued under Article 58 of the General Statutes of North Carolina for violating any insurance law of this or any other state, violating any administrative rule, subpoena, or order of the Commissioner or of another state's regulator; and

WHEREAS, N. C. Gen. Stat. § 58-2-70 provides that whenever the Commissioner has reason to believe that any person has violated any law that would subject the license or certification of that person to suspension or revocation, the Commissioner is authorized, in lieu of a hearing, to negotiate a mutually acceptable agreement as to the status of the person's license or certificate or to any civil penalty or restitution; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Huffstetler has agreed to settle, compromise, and resolve the matter referenced in this Agreement on behalf of herself, and the Agent Services Division has agreed not to pursue additional civil ramifications, including penalties, sanctions, remedies, or restitution based on these matters against Ms. Huffstetler; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in exchange for the consideration and promises and agreements set out herein, Ms. Huffstetler and the Agent Services Division hereby agree to the following:

1. Immediately upon the signing of this Agreement, Ms. Huffstetler shall pay a civil penalty of **\$250.00** to the Agent Services Division. The form of payment shall be by certified check, cashier's check, or money order. The check or money order for the payment of this civil penalty shall be payable to the "**North Carolina Department of Insurance**." Ms. Huffstetler shall remit the civil penalty by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the Agent Services Division along with a copy of this signed Agreement. The civil penalty and the signed Agreement must be received by the Agent Services Division no later than **June 24, 2024**. The 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 public schools.
2. This Agreement does not in any way affect the Agent Services Division's disciplinary power in any future examination of Ms. Huffstetler or in any other complaints involving Ms. Huffstetler.
3. Ms. Huffstetler enters into this Agreement, on behalf of herself, freely and voluntarily and with the knowledge of her right to have an administrative hearing on this matter. Ms. Huffstetler understands she may consult with an attorney prior to entering into this Agreement.
4. The parties to this Agreement agree that this Agreement shall have the full force and effect of an Order of the Commissioner. Ms. Huffstetler understands that N.C.G.S. § 58-33-46(a)(2) provides that a producer's license may be revoked for violating an Order of the Commissioner.
5. This Agreement, when finalized, will be a public record and will **not** be held confidential by the Agent Services Division. Following the execution of this Agreement, all licenses issued by the Agent Services Division to Ms. Huffstetler shall reflect that Regulatory Action has been taken against her. The Agent Services Division is free to disclose the contents of this Agreement with third parties upon request or pursuant to any law or policy providing for such disclosure. The Agent Services Division, upon request, will provide a copy of the voluntary settlement agreement to companies that have appointed the licensee.

6. The parties have read and understand this Agreement and agree to abide by the terms and conditions stated herein.
7. Be aware that if a state or federal regulator other than the Agent Services Division has issued an occupational or professional license to you, that regulator may require you to report this administrative action to it. The Agent Services Division cannot give you legal advice as to the specific reporting requirements of other state or federal regulators.

N.C. Department of Insurance
Agent Services Division

[Redacted Signature]

By: Gabrielle Nicole Huffmeller
NPN: 20107295

[Redacted Signature]

By: Joe Wall
Deputy Commissioner

Date: 06/05/2024

Date: 06/21/2024

[Redacted Signature]

By: Tina A. Krasner
Attorney for Licensee
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Date: 06 / 10 / 2024