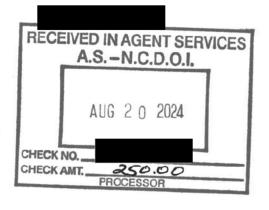


N. C. DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE AGENT SERVICES DIVISION RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF WAKE BEFORE THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSURE OF LITESHA MARCHELLE JONES NPN: 20690550 VOLUNTARY SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

NOW COME, Litesha Marchelle Jones (hereinafter "Ms. Jones") and the N. C. Department of Insurance Agent Services Division (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 agents, brokers, limited representatives, adjusters, and motor vehicle damage appraisers; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jones currently holds a non-resident adjuster's 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, Ms. Jones answered "No" to the questions on her original license application dated July 26, 2023 for licensure with the Agent Services Division to the questions thereon regarding past criminal history (misdemeanors and felonies); and

WHEREAS, information made available to the Agent Services Division revealed that in the 167th Judicial Court of Travis County, Texas on December 10, 1998, Ms. Jones entered a plea of guilty to the charge of theft. On March 16, 1999 the Court deferred proceedings without entering an adjudication of guilt and placed Ms. Jones on community supervision. Ms. Jones was released from community supervision on August 02, 2004 at the termination of the period of community supervision; and

WHEREAS, by providing materially incorrect and materially untrue information in the license application Ms. Jones 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. Jones has agreed to settle, compromise, and resolve the matters 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. Jones; and

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

- 1. Immediately upon the signing of this Agreement, Ms. Jones 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. Jones 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 September 03, 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. Jones or in any other complaints involving Ms. Jones.
- 3. Ms. Jones 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. Jones understands she may consult with an attorney prior to entering into this Agreement.
- The parties to this Agreement agree that this Agreement shall have the full force and effect of an Order of the Commissioner. Ms. Jones 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 <u>not</u> be held confidential by the Agent Services Division. Following the execution of this Agreement, all licenses issued by the Agent Services Division to Ms. Jones 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, routinely provides a copy of the voluntary settlement agreement to all 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.

By Litesha Marchelle Jones NPN: 20690550

N.C. Department of Insurance **Agent Services Division**

By Joe Wall

Deputy Commissioner

Date: Myust 9, 2024