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

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF WAKE OF INSURANCEK AMI. 250°

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSURE OF JEFFREY ROBERT TURCOTTE LICENSE NO. 0018954923 VOLUNTARY SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

NOW COME, Jeffrey Robert Turcotte (hereinafter "Mr. Turcotte") 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 agencies and agents; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Turcotte currently holds a Non-resident producer's license with authority for Life and Accident & Health lines of insurance and a Medicare Supplement-Long Term Care insurance license issued by the Agent Services Division; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute § 58-33-32(k) requires producers to report to the Commissioner any administrative action taken against the producer in another state or by another governmental agency in this State, including enforcement actions taken against the producer by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA), within 30 days after the final disposition of the matter; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Insurance, effective October 29, 2021, issued a "Notice of Fine" in the amount of \$250.00 to Mr. Turcotte for failure to notify the Louisiana Department within thirty (30) days of an action taken by the Indiana Department of Insurance effective August 11, 2021 in suspending his producer's license for failure to furnish a full and complete listing of each insurer for which he held an appointment, during the year preceding the request, within ten (10) days of having received the request; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Turcotte did not report this administrative action to the Agent Services Division within 30 days after the final disposition of the action as required by North Carolina General Statute § 58-33-32(k), and he was therefore in violation thereof; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Turcotte admits to this violation of North Carolina General Statute

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

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

- 1. Immediately upon the signing of this Agreement, Mr. Turcotte 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." Mr. Turcotte 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 April 29, 2022. 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 Mr. Turcotte or in any other complaints involving Mr. Turcotte.
- 3. Mr. Turcotte enters into this Agreement, on behalf of himself, freely and voluntarily and with the knowledge of his right to have an administrative hearing on this matter. Mr. Turcotte understands he 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. Mr. Turcotte 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 Mr. Turcotte shall reflect that Regulatory Action has been taken against him. 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.

N.C. Department of Insurance Agent Services Division

By: Jeffrey Robert Turcotte
License No. 00018954923

By: Angela Hatchell
Deputy Commissioner

Date: $\frac{4/28/2022}{}$ Date: $\frac{5/2/2022}{}$