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NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF WAKE

BEFORE THE COMMISSIONER
OF INSURANCE

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSURE
OF CHRISTOPHER C. WASHINGTON
LICENSE NO. 0006434116

VOLUNTARY SETTLEMENT
AGREEMENT

NOW COME, Christopher C. Washington (hereinafter "Mr. Washington") and the North Carolina Department of Insurance (hereinafter "Department"), and hereby voluntarily and knowingly enter into the following Voluntary Settlement Agreement (hereinafter "this Agreement").

WHEREAS, the Department has the authority and responsibility for enforcement of the insurance laws of this State, and for regulating and licensing insurance agents; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Washington currently holds a resident producer's license with the Department with authority for Life and Accident & Health or Sickness lines of insurance; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute § 58-33-46(a)(1) provides that the Commissioner may place on probation, suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew any license issued by the Department for providing materially incorrect, misleading, incomplete, or materially untrue information in the license application; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Washington applied for a non-resident producer's license with authority for Life and Accident & Health or Sickness with the Department on February 27, 2013 and thereafter applied for a resident producer's license with authority for Life and Accident & Health or Sickness lines of insurance, and a Medicare Supplement/Long Term Care License on or about September 27, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Washington answered "no" to the question on the application for license to the question: "Have you ever been convicted of a crime, had a judgment withheld or deferred, or are you currently charged with committing a crime" on both applications; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Washington, on or about October 14, 1987, was found guilty of the charge of "Distributing Methamphetamine" by a United States Army Courts Martial and was discharged from the Army with a Bad Conduct discharge on December 13, 1998, and did not report it on his applications for license; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Washington admits to these violations of North Carolina General Statute § 58-33-46(a)(1); and

WHEREAS, Mr. Washington has agreed to settle, compromise, and resolve the matters referenced in this Agreement on behalf of himself and his agency, and the Department has agreed not to pursue additional penalties, sanctions, remedies, or restitution based on these matters against Mr. Washington; and

WHEREAS, the parties to this Agreement mutually wish to resolve this matter by consent before the Department initiates an administrative hearing, and have reached a mutually agreeable resolution of this matter as set out in this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in exchange for the consideration and promises and agreements set out herein, Mr. Washington and the Department hereby agree to the following:

1. Immediately upon the signing of this Agreement, Mr. Washington shall pay a civil penalty of **\$500.00** to the Department. 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. Washington shall remit the civil penalty by certified mail; return receipt requested, to the Department along with a copy of this signed Agreement. The civil penalty and the signed Agreement must be received by the Department no later than **May 22, 2014**. 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 Department's disciplinary power in any future examination of Mr. Washington or in any other complaints involving Mr. Washington.
3. Mr. Washington 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. Washington 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. Washington 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 Department. Following the execution of this Agreement, any and all licenses issued by the Department to Mr. Washington shall reflect that Regulatory Action has been taken against him. The Department 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 Department routinely provides copies of 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.

This the 22nd day of May, 2014.



North Carolina Department of Insurance

[Redacted Signature]
By: Christopher C. Washington
License No. 0006434116

[Redacted Signature] 5-22-14
By: Angela Ford
Senior Deputy Commissioner