

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSURE OF ANDREW JOHN WEILAND LICENSE NO.: 0017469275

VOLUNTARY SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

NOW COME, Andrew John Weiland (hereinafter "Mr. Weiland") 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 adjusters; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute § 58-33-46a) (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 Mr. Weiland is licensed as a Company/Independent Firm Adjuster; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Weiland answered "No" to the background information question on his initial 2017 application for licensure and his 2018 and 2019 renewal applications for licensure: "Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor, had a judgment withheld or deferred, or are you currently charged with committing a misdemeanor, which has not been previously reported to this department?"; and

WHEREAS, information obtained from a Louisiana Department of Insurance administrative action effective April 09, 2020 taken against Mr. Weiland's license revealed that Mr. Weiland was convicted of a misdemeanor in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Weiland admits to this violation of North Carolina General Statute § 58-33-46(a) (1); and

WHEREAS, Mr. Weiland has agreed to settle, compromise, and resolve the matter referenced in this Agreement on behalf of himself, and the Department has agreed not to pursue additional penalties, sanctions, remedies, or restitution based on these matters against Mr. Weiland; 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. Weiland and the Department hereby agree to the following:

- Immediately upon the signing of this Agreement, Mr. Weiland shall pay a civil penalty of \$250.00 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. Weiland 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 August 07, 2020. 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. Upon receipt of the signed agreement and civil penalty, the Department shall issue the license requested by Mr. Weiland.
- 2. This Agreement does not in any way affect the Department's disciplinary power in any future examination of Mr. Weiland or in any other complaints involving Mr. Weiland.
- Mr. Weiland 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. Weiland 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. Weiland 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 Department. Following the execution of this Agreement, all licenses issued by the Department to Mr. Weiland 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, upon request provides a copy of the 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.
- 7. Be aware that if a state or federal regulator other than the N. C. Department of Insurance has issued an occupational or professional license to you, that regulator may require you to report this administrative action to it. The N.C. Department of Insurance cannot give you legal advice as to the specific reporting requirements of other state or federal regulators.

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By: Angela Hatchell Deputy Commissioner

Date: 7/16/2020

Date: 7/27/2020