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# BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE:

**VIOLATIONS:** 

SUSAN A. STALB

Sections 603-A(a) and 611-A(20)

288 Main Street Millburn, NJ 07041

of Act 147 of 2002 (40 P.S.

§§ 310.3(a) and 310.11(20)

Respondent.

Docket No. CO05-01-028

#### CONSENT ORDER

AND NOW, this /1th day of Jehrnay, 2005, this Order is hereby issued by the Deputy Insurance Commissioner of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania pursuant to the statutes cited above and in disposition of the matter captioned above.

1. Respondent hereby admits and acknowledges that she has received proper notice of her rights to a formal administrative hearing pursuant to the Administrative Agency Law, 2 Pa.C.S. § 101, et seq., or other applicable law.

2. Respondent hereby waives all rights to a formal administrative hearing in this matter, and agrees that this Consent Order, and the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law contained herein, shall have the full force and effect of an Order duly entered in accordance with the adjudicatory procedures set forth in the Administrative Agency Law, supra, or other applicable law.

## **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 3. The Deputy Insurance Commissioner finds true and correct each of the following Findings of Fact:
  - (a) Respondent is Susan A. Stalb, and maintains her business address at Szerlip & Company, Incorporated, 288 Main Street, Millburn, New Jersey 07041.
  - (b) Respondent possessed no Pennsylvania insurance licenses at the time of the violations.
  - (c) Respondent identified herself as the producer of surplus lines insurance for a Pennsylvania policyholder: "313 East Fifth Street, LP", of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, although she possessed no Pennsylvania insurance licenses.

- (d) The surplus lines insurance policy, #NC242510-03, was procured from Nautilus Insurance Company, effective March 19, 2003, through Jimcor Associates, Incorporated, a surplus lines licensee.
- (e) Respondent submitted a signed due-diligence affidavit, dated March 14,
   2003, through Jimcor Associates using her New Jersey producer license
   #IP8805713, to indicate that three licensed insurers had declined to issue the coverage in the admitted market.
- (f) On September 23, 2004, Respondent confirmed the aforementioned information.

# **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 4. In accord with the above Findings of Fact and applicable provisions of law, the Deputy Insurance Commissioner concludes and finds the following Conclusions of Law:
  - (a) Respondent is subject to the jurisdiction of the Pennsylvania Insurance

    Department.

- (b) Section 603-A(a) of Act 147 of 2002 prohibits anyone from selling, soliciting or negotiating a contract of insurance in this Commonwealth unless the person is licensed as an insurance producer for the line of authority under which the contract is issued.
- (c) Respondent's activities described above in paragraphs 3(c) through 3(f) violates Section 603-A(a) of Act 147 of 2002.
- (d) Section 611-A(20) of Act 147 of 2002 prohibits a licensee from demonstrating a lack of general fitness, competence or reliability sufficient to satisfy the department that the licensee is worthy of licensure (40 P.S. § 310.11).
- (e) Respondent's activities described above in paragraphs 3(c) through 3(f) violates Section 611-A(20) of Act 147 of 2002.
- (f) Respondent's violations of Sections 603-A(a) and 611-A(20) of Act 147 of 2002 are punishable by the following, under Section 691-A of Act 147 of 2002 (40 P.S. § 310.91):
  - (i) suspension, revocation or refusal to issue the certificate of qualification or license;

- (ii) imposition of a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for each violation of the Act;
- (iii) an order to cease and desist; and
- (iv) any other conditions as the Commissioner deems appropriate.

## **ORDER**

- 5. In accord with the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Deputy Insurance Commissioner orders and Respondent consents to the following:
  - (a) Respondent shall cease and desist from engaging in the activities described herein in the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.
  - (b) Respondent's certificates and licenses may be immediately suspended by the Department following its investigation and determination that (i) any terms of this Order have not been complied with, or (ii) any complaint against Respondent is accurate and a statute or regulation has been violated. The Department's right to act under this section is limited to a period of three (3) years from the date of this Order.
  - (c) Respondent specifically waives her right to prior notice of said suspension, but will be entitled to a hearing upon written request received by the Department no later than thirty (30) days after the date the Department mailed to

- 7. Alternatively, in the event the Deputy Commissioner finds that there has been a breach of any of the provisions of this Order, the Deputy Commissioner may declare this Order to be null and void and, thereupon, reopen the entire matter for appropriate action pursuant to the Administrative Agency Law, <u>supra</u>, or other relevant provision of law.
- 8. In any such enforcement proceeding, Respondent may contest whether a breach of the provisions of this Order has occurred but may not contest the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law contained herein.
- 9. Respondent hereby expressly waives any relevant statute of limitations and application of the doctrine of laches for purposes of any enforcement of this Order.
- 10. This Order constitutes the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the matters referred to herein, and it may not be amended or modified except by an amended order signed by all the parties hereto.
- 11. This Order shall be final upon execution by the Deputy Insurance
  Commissioner. Only the Insurance Commissioner or the duly authorized Deputy
  Insurance Commissioner is authorized to bind the Insurance Department with respect to
  the settlement of the alleged violation of law contained herein, and this Consent

Order is not effective until executed by the Insurance Commissioner or the duly authorized Deputy Insurance Commissioner.

SUSAN A. STALB Respondent

Deputy Insurance Commissioner Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

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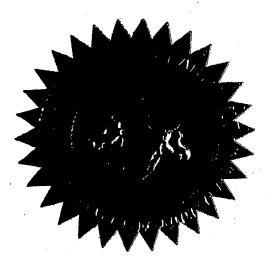
IN RE:

The Act of April 9, 1929, P.L. 177, No. 175, known as The

Administrative Code of 1929

AND NOW, this 29 day of 4001, 2002, Randolph L.

Rohrbaugh, Deputy Insurance Commissioner, is hereby designated as the Commissioner's duly authorized representative for purposes of entering in and executing Consent Orders. This delegation of authority shall continue in effect until otherwise terminated by a later Order of the Insurance Commissioner.



M. Drane Koken

**Insurance Commissioner**