By Admin Hearings, Ins Dept at 10:28 am, May 15, 2024

# BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE:	:	VIOLATIONS:
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GARY ALLAN RAY JR.	:	40 P.S. § 310.11(1)
6474 Pioneer Dr.	:	18 U.S.C. § 1033(e)(2)
Macungie, PA 18062	:	
-	:	Pursuant to the Violent Crime
Requesting Written Consent to	:	Control and Law Enforcement Act of
Engage in the Business of Insurance	:	1994, 18 U.S.C. § 1033
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Respondent.	:	Docket No. CW24-05-017

# CONSENT ORDER

AND NOW, this <u>15th</u> day of <u>May</u>, <u>2024</u>, this Order is

hereby issued by the Insurance Department of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania pursuant to the statutes cited above and in disposition of the matter captioned above.

1. To the extent applicable, 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, 2 Pa.C.S. §§ 101, et seq., or other applicable law.

### FINDINGS OF FACT

2. The Pennsylvania Insurance Department ("Department") finds true and correct each of the following Findings of Fact:

- (a) Applicant is Gary Allan Ray Jr. and maintains a record of his address with the Pennsylvania Insurance Department as 6474 Pioneer Dr., Macungie, PA 18062.
- (b) Applicant possesses a license to transact insurance as a producer in this Commonwealth.
- (c) Applicant, on October 28, 1998, was convicted of Grand Theft, a felony, in the Circuit Court of St. Lucie County, Florida.
- (d) Applicant, on November 3, 1998, was convicted of Burglary ofStructure, a felony, in the Circuit Court of St. Lucie County, Florida.
- (e) Applicant, on March 1, 2024, submitted an application to the
  Pennsylvania Insurance Department for written consent to engage in the
  business of insurance pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1033(e)(2).
- (f) Applicant answered "No" to the criminal history question on his initial Resident Producer Individual application.
- (g) The activities in which Applicant desires to engage, constitutes the business of insurance within the meaning of 18 U.S.C. § 1033(e)(1)(A) and (f).

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

3. In accord with the above Findings of Fact and applicable provisions of law, the Insurance Department concludes and finds the following Conclusions of Law:

- (a) Respondent is subject to the jurisdiction of the Pennsylvania Insurance Department.
- (b) 40 P.S. § 310.11(1) prohibits a licensee or an applicant for a license from providing incorrect, misleading, incomplete or false information to the Department in a license application.
- (c) Respondent's activities described in paragraph 2(g) violate 40 P.S. § 310.11(1).
- (d) 18 U.S.C. § 1033(e)(2) provides that persons convicted of a felony involving dishonesty or a breach of trust may not engage in the business of insurance or participate in such business unless such person has the written consent of any insurance regulatory official authorized to regulate the insurer, which consent specifically refers to 18 U.S.C. § 1033(e)(2).
- (e) Respondent's activities described in paragraphs 2(c) and 2(d) constitute a conviction of a felony involving dishonesty or a breach of trust.

- (f) Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1033(e)(2), the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
  Insurance Department has the discretion to grant written consent
  permitting the Respondent to engage in the business of insurance.
- (g) Respondent's violations of 40 P.S. § 310.11(1) are punishable by the following, under 40 P.S. § 310.91:
  - (i) suspension, revocation or refusal to issue the license;
  - (ii) imposition of a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars(\$5,000.00) for every violation of the Act;
  - (iii) an order to cease and desist; and
  - (iv) any other conditions as the Commissioner deems appropriate.

#### ORDER

4. In accord with the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Insurance Department orders and Respondent consents to the following:

- (a) Respondent is granted the consent to engage in the business of insurance subject to the conditions of this Order.
- (b) Respondent shall cease and desist from engaging in the activities described herein in the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

- (c) Respondent shall further comply with all Pennsylvania insurance laws and regulations.
- (d) Respondent shall engage in the business of insurance in a manner that is not reasonably likely to cause harm to the public, policyholders or the industry.

5. The terms of this Order shall remain in place for a period of five years and thereafter, unless and until the Department or the Commissioner terminates the Order. Nothing in this Order shall preclude the Department, the Deputy Commissioner or the Commissioner, in their sole discretion, from decreasing or lessening the restrictions contained in this Order in whole or in part while it is in effect. Any such lessening of the restrictions contained in this Order shall be made in writing by the Department, the Deputy Commissioner or the Commissioner. Further, Respondent shall not apply nor otherwise seek to reduce or remove the restrictions contained in this Order for a period of at least five years.

6. Following the five-year period referenced in paragraph 5, above, this Order shall continue unless and until the Department affirmatively terminates it. Nothing in this Order shall be construed as conferring upon Respondent any property right or interest as a result of receiving this conditional consent to engage in the business of insurance in accordance with the terms of this Order. Respondent expressly waives any right to assert that he is entitled to a hearing on the termination of this Order following the expiration of the five-year period referenced in paragraph 5. Should the Insurance Department or the Commissioner, terminate this Order after the five-year period

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referenced in paragraph 5, above, Respondent may file a new application for a written consent to engage in the business of insurance under 18 U.S.C. § 1033(e)(2).

7. The Department's conditional consent permitting Respondent to engage in the business of insurance, and Respondent's existing licenses, may be immediately suspended upon notice by the Department following its investigation and determination that Respondent has failed to adhere to any condition set forth in this Order or has violated an insurance statute or regulation.

8. Respondent shall have no right to prior notice of such a suspension, but will be entitled to a hearing upon written request received by the Department no later than thirty (30) days from the date the Department mailed to Respondent by certified mail, return receipt requested, notification of such suspension, which hearing shall be held within sixty (60) days of the Department's receipt of Respondent's written request for a hearing.

9. At a hearing referred to in paragraph 8 above, Respondent shall have the burden of demonstrating that he is worthy of an insurance license and a conditional consent to engage in the business of insurance. In the event Respondent's conditional consent, and licenses are suspended pursuant to paragraph 8 above, and Respondent either fails to request a hearing within 30 days or at the hearing fails to demonstrate that he is worthy of a license, Respondent's suspended conditional consent, and licenses shall be revoked.

10. In the event the Insurance Department finds that there has been a breach of any of the provisions of this Order, based upon the Findings of Fact and Conclusions

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of Law contained herein, the Department may pursue any and all legal remedies available, including but not limited to the following: the Department may enforce the provisions of this Order in an administrative action pursuant to the Administrative Agency Law, <u>supra</u>, or other relevant provisions of law; or, if applicable, the Department may enforce the provisions of this Order in any other court of law or equity having jurisdiction.

11. Alternatively, in the event the Insurance Department finds there has been a breach of any of the provisions of this Order, the Department 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.

12. 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.

13. Respondent hereby expressly waives any relevant statute of limitations and application of the doctrine of laches for purposes of any enforcement of this Order.

14. This Order constitutes the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the matters referred to herein, and there are no other terms, obligations, covenants, representations, statements or conditions, or otherwise, of any kind whatsoever concerning this agreement. This Order may not be amended or modified except by an amended order signed by all the parties hereto.

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15. This Order shall be final upon execution by the Insurance Department. Only the Insurance Commissioner or a duly authorized delegee is authorized to bind the Insurance Department with respect to the settlement of the alleged violations of law contained herein, and this Consent Order is not effective until executed by the Insurance Commissioner or duly authorized delegee.

BY:

GARY ALLAN RAY JR., Respondent

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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA By: DAVID J. BUONO JR. Deputy Insurance Commissioner

# BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: The Act of April 9, 1929, P.L. 177, No. 175, known as The Administrative Code of 1929

AND NOW, this \_\_25th \_\_ day of \_\_April\_\_\_\_, 2024, David J. Buono, Jr., 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.

Michael Humphreys Insurance Commissioner