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BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER
OF THE
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE:	:	VIOLATIONS:
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KAREEM M. WALKER	:	63 P.S. §§ 856(3) and 861(f)(1)
648 Clonmell Rd.	:	
Paulsboro, NJ 08066	:	
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Applicant.	:	Docket No. CO24-08-016

CONSENT ORDER

AND NOW, this 20th day of August, 2024, 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. Applicant hereby admits and acknowledges that he has received proper notice of his rights to a formal administrative hearing pursuant to the Administrative Agency Law, 2 Pa.C.S. §§ 101, et seq., or other applicable law.

2. Applicant 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 Pennsylvania Insurance Department (“Department”) finds true and correct each of the following Findings of Fact:

- (a) Applicant is Kareem M. Walker and maintains a record of his address with the Pennsylvania Insurance Department as 648 Clonmell Rd., Paulsboro, NJ 08066.
- (b) Applicant does not possess a Motor Vehicle Physical Damage Appraiser (MVPDA) license.
- (c) Applicant, on June 25, 2024, submitted an initial application for licensure and incorrectly answered "No" to the question that asks, "[h]ave you ever been convicted of a felony, had a judgment withheld or deferred, or are you currently charged with committing a felony?"
- (d) Applicant, on July 29, 2023, was charged with Aggravated Assault, a Degree 3 crime, and Endangering the Welfare of Children, a Degree 2 crime, in the Municipal Court of Camden City, NJ and is currently under the supervision of Pretrial Monitoring.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

4. 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) Applicant is subject to the jurisdiction of the Pennsylvania Insurance Department.
- (b) 63 P.S. § 856(3), states the Commissioner may deny initial issuance of, suspend, revoke or refuse to renew any appraiser's license if the licensee obtained his license through willful misrepresentation or fraud.
- (c) Applicant's activities described in paragraph 3(c) violate 63 P.S. § 856(3).
- (d) 63 P.S. § 861(f)(1), requires every appraiser to conduct himself in such a manner as to inspire public confidence by fair and honorable dealings.
- (e) Applicant's activities described in paragraphs 3(c) and 3(d) violate 63 P.S. § 861(f)(1).
- (f) Applicant's violations of 63 P.S. §§ 856(3) and 861(f)(1) are punishable by the following, under 63 P.S. § 1606:
 - (i) suspension, revocation or refusal to issue the license;
 - (ii) imposition of a civil penalty not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for every violation of the Act;
 - (iii) an order to cease and desist; and

(iv) any other conditions as the Commissioner deems appropriate.

ORDER

5. In accord with the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and as a condition of licensure, the Insurance Department orders and Applicant consents to the following:

- (a) Applicant shall cease and desist from engaging in the activities described herein in the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.
- (b) Applicant's 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 confirmed complaint against Applicant 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) Applicant specifically waives his 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 Applicant by certified mail, return receipt requested, notification of said suspension, which hearing shall be scheduled for a date within sixty (60) days of the Department's receipt of Applicant's written request.

- (d) At the hearing referred to in paragraph 5(c) of this Order, Applicant shall have the burden of demonstrating that he is worthy of a license.

- (e) In the event Applicant's licenses are suspended pursuant to paragraph 5(b) above, and Applicant either fails to request a hearing within thirty (30) days or at the hearing fails to demonstrate that he is worthy of a license, Applicant's suspended licenses shall be revoked.

- (f) Applicant shall report the disposition of the charges to the Department within thirty (30) days thereof. Notice of said disposition shall be sent by first class mail and directed to: The PA Insurance Department, Bureau of Licensing and Enforcement, Attn: Enforcement Unit, 1227 Strawberry Square, Harrisburg, PA 17120, or by email to: ra-in-roa@pa.gov.

- (g) If Applicant is convicted of, or pleads guilty or nolo contendere to, any of the charges, set forth in paragraph 3(d), or any other Felony, Applicant will immediately surrender all license(s) to the Department.

6. 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 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, supra, 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.


7. 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, supra, or other relevant provision of law.

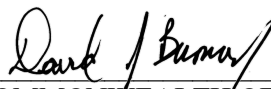
8. In any such enforcement proceeding, Applicant may contest whether a breach of the provisions of this Order has occurred but may not contest the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law contained herein.

9. Applicant 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 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.

11. 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: 
[Walker, Kareem M. \(Aug 15, 2024 14:28 EDT\)](#)
KAREEM M. WALKER, Applicant


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