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BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

ADMIN HEARINGS OFFICE

IN RE:

VIOLATIONS:

IAN JAMES MARSHALL NORRIS

40 P.S. §§ 310.11(8), (20)

1000 East Broward Blvd.

and 310.78(a)

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

:

Respondent.

Docket No. CO18-04-007

CONSENT ORDER

AND NOW, this 18th day of July , 2018, 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. Respondent 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. 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.

3. Without admitting the allegations of fact and conclusions of law contained herein, Respondent specifically denies that he violated any law or regulation of the Commonwealth.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 4. The Insurance Department finds true and correct each of the following Findings of Fact:
 - (a) Respondent is Ian James Marshall Norris and maintains his address at 1000 East Broward Blvd, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301.
 - (b) Respondent is, and at all times relevant hereto has been, a licensed Non-Resident Producer.
 - (c) Respondent was charged by the Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial

 District in Miami-Dade County on five (5) counts of second-degree felony

 Grand Theft on January 6, 2015; alleging he misappropriated \$180,807.87

 for work performed on behalf of a former client.
 - (d) Respondent failed to notify the Pennsylvania Insurance Department of his criminal conduct charges within 30 days.

- (e) Respondent, between April 23, 2015 and October 16, 2017, had eleven (11) administrative actions denying, suspending or revoking his license by seven (7) government entities due to the pending Florida charges.
- (f) Respondent failed to report ten (10) of the administrative actions imposed to the Pennsylvania Insurance Department within 30 days of the final disposition of the matter.
- (g) Respondent's Florida criminal charges were dismissed on February 23, 2016; and his Florida resident producer license was reinstated on March 15, 2016.
- (h) Respondent subsequently uploaded all relevant documents related to charges and regulatory actions to NIPR. However, Respondent failed (per 3(d) above) to notify the Pennsylvania Insurance Department of these sanctions at a time of their occurrence.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

5. 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(8) prohibits a licensee or an applicant from having a producer license or other financial services license denied, suspended or revoked by a governmental entity.
- (c) Respondent's activities described above in paragraph 4(e) violate 40 P.S. § 310.11(8).
- (d) 40 P.S. § 310.11(20) prohibits a licensee or an applicant from demonstrating a lack of general fitness, competence or reliability sufficient to satisfy the Department that the licensee is worthy of licensure.
- (e) Respondent's activities described above in paragraphs 4(c) through 4(g) violate 40 P.S. § 310.11(20).
- (f) 40 P.S. § 310.78(a) requires a licensee to report any administrative action taken in another jurisdiction or by another governmental agency within 30 days of the final disposition, to include a copy of the order, consent order or other relevant legal documents.

- (g) Respondent's activities described above in paragraph 4(f) violate 40 P.S. § 310.78(a).
- (h) Respondent's violations of §§ 310.11(8), (20), 310.78(a) 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

- 6. In accord with the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Insurance Department 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 shall pay a civil penalty of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Payment of this penalty shall be made by certified check or money order, payable to the Commonwealth of

Pennsylvania. Payment should be directed to Bureau of Licensing and Enforcement, 1227 Strawberry Square, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120. Payment may be enclosed with the Consent Order but must be paid in any event no later than fourteen (14) days after the date of the Consent Order.

- (c) Respondent'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 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 five (5) years from the date of this Order.
- (d) Respondent 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 Respondent 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 Respondent's written request.
- (e) At the hearing referred to in paragraph 6(d) of this Order, Respondent shall have the burden of demonstrating that he is worthy of a license.

- (f) In the event Respondent's licenses are suspended pursuant to paragraph 6(c) above, and Respondent either fails to request a hearing within thirty (30) days or at the hearing fails to demonstrate that he is worthy of a license, Respondent's suspended licenses shall be revoked.
- 7. 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, <a href="suppraction-suppr
- 8. 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.
- 9. 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.

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

11. 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.

12. 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:

IAN JAMES MARSHALL NORRIS, Respondent

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

By: CHRISTOPHER R. MONAHAN

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

> Jessica K. Altman Insurance Commissioner

