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Illinois Department of Insurance Disciplinary Report for September 2012

CHICAGO – October 17, 2012. The Illinois Department of Insurance today announced the following disciplinary orders:

Aundrea R. Barnett, Calumet Park - Insurance producer license application denial effective September 6, 2012. Ms. Barnett's application was denied pursuant to Director's Order regarding Hearing No. 10-HR-1370. The Order, which also required a \$195.60 payment for hearing costs, sustained a previously issued Letter of Denial. The denial resulted from an investigation which revealed Ms. Barnett had been convicted of a felony (Official Misconduct) in 1995.

Donald D. Boone, Chicago - Insurance producer license application denial effective August 27, 2012. Mr. Boone's application was denied as a result of an investigation which revealed he had been convicted of multiple felonies (Theft, Armed Robbery, 2 counts Unlawful Use of a Weapon, Bribery, 2 Counts of Soliciting for a Juvenile Prostitute, Juvenile Pimping, Indecent Liberties with a Child and Pandering) between 1980 and 1985.

Jeffrey Czerwinski, Tinley Park - Stipulation and Consent Order issued regarding the insurance producer license effective June 29, 2012. Mr. Czerwinski has been licensed to sell life and health insurance since 2008. The Stipulation and Consent Order alleges that Mr. Czerwinski submitted seven fraudulent applications to an insurer. The Order included a \$7,000 civil penalty that Mr. Czerwinski failed to pay. The Department will pursue revocation of his license.

Linda M. Ferraro, Wauconda - Insurance producer license revoked effective September 20, 2012. Ms. Ferraro had been licensed to sell life and health lines of insurance since February 5, 2008. The license was revoked as a result of an investigation which alleged she submitted 246 applications to an insurer that contained invalid information and obtained \$45,133.04 in commissions based on those applications. The Order of Revocation also includes a \$50,000 civil penalty.

Thomas J. Gallagher, Lincoln - Insurance producer license application denial effective September 17, 2012. Mr. Gallagher's application was denied as a result of an investigation which revealed he had been convicted of a felony (Aggravated Criminal Sexual Abuse) in 2006.

RG International of Chicago and Roberto Garcia, North Chicago - Cease and Desist Order effective August 30, 2012. The Cease and Desist was pursuant a Director's Order regarding Hearing No. 10-HR-0629. The Order, which sustained a previously issued Cease and Desist Order, alleged that Mr. Garcia and RG International had engaged in the transaction of insurance business in this State without first procuring a certificate of authority from the Director of Insurance. The Order required Mr. Garcia and RG International to pay \$648.40 hearing costs.

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Godfrey P. Jarabak, Glen Carbon - Insurance producer license revoked effective August 20, 2012. Mr. Jarabak, who accepted the Voluntary Revocation Order, had been licensed to sell life, health and variable lines of insurance since February 28, 2000, but is no longer able to effect insurance transactions in the state, without violating Illinois Insurance Code and facing felony charges.

Darius C. Jenkins, West Bend, Wisconsin - Limited lines producer license application denial effective August 16, 2012. Mr. Jenkins' application for a limited lines insurance producer license was denied as a result of an investigation which revealed he had been convicted of a felony (Intent to Deliver Controlled Substance) in 1995.

Helena Katarzyna Sikon, Justice - Stipulation and Consent Order issued regarding the insurance producer license effective August 30, 2012. Ms. Sikon has been licensed since to sell life, health, fire and casualty lines of insurance since April 20, 2009. The Stipulation and Consent Order, which includes a \$2,000 civil penalty and corrective orders, alleges that Ms. Sikon failed to deposit premiums into the Premium Fund Trust Account (PFTA) as required.

Keith Wilcoxon, Pekin - Insurance producer license application denial effective September 14, 2012. Mr. Wilcoxon's application was denied as a result of an investigation which revealed he had been convicted of a felony (Theft over \$300) in 2009.

Winter Thomas, Chicago - Insurance producer license application denial effective September 17, 2012. Ms. Thomas's application was denied as a result of an investigation which revealed she had been convicted of a felony (Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance) in 2007.

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