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# BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE STATE OF NEBRASKA

STATE OF NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,	) FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW RECOMMENDED ORDER
PETITIONER,	OF LAW, RECOMMENDED ORDER AND ORDER
VS.	) CAUSE NO. A-2267
WILLIAM DEJUAN ARMSTRONG, (NAIC Producer #18350499),	) ) )
RESPONDENT.	) ) )

This matter came on for hearing on September 28, 2021, before Thomas C. Green II, a hearing officer duly appointed by the Director of the Nebraska Department of Insurance. The Nebraska Department of Insurance ("Department") appeared through its counsel, Michael W. Anderson. William Dejuan Armstrong ("Respondent") did not appear and was not represented by counsel. The proceedings were recorded by Shelly Storie, a licensed Notary Public. The Department offered Exhibits 1 and 2 at the hearing, which were received without objection. The Respondent did not offer any exhibits. After the conclusion of evidence, the matter was taken under advisement. The hearing officer makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommended Order.

## **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1. The Department is the agency of the State of Nebraska charged with licensing and regulating insurance producers.
- 2. Respondent is a licensed non-resident insurance producer. Respondent's registered mailing address with the Department is 1919 Jackson Street, Dallas, Texas 75201-4931. (Ex. 1).

- 3. On or about July 7, 2021, the Petition and Notice of Hearing were served upon Respondent by mailing the same to his registered address, by certified mail, return receipt requested, and via regular U.S. mail. (Ex. 2)
- 4. On or about July 26, 2021, both envelopes containing the Petition and Notice of Hearing (certified mail and regular mail) were returned to the Department by the United States Postal Service marked, "RETURN TO SENDER, REFUSED, UNABLE TO FORWARD." (Ex. 3)
- 5. On or about June 1, 2021, the Department discovered that the Respondent had voluntarily surrendered his resident Texas insurance producer's license on or about May 20, 2021, leaving the Respondent without a valid resident insurance license in his home state. (Ex. 1)

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Department has broad jurisdiction, control, and discretion over the licensing of insurance producers in the State of Nebraska pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 44-101.01 and 44-4047 et seq.
  - 2. The Department has personal jurisdiction over Respondent.
- 3. Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 44-4059(1)(o), the director may suspend or revoke an insurance producer's license or may levy an administrative fine if an insurance producer fails to maintain in good standing a resident license in the insurance producer's home state.
- 4. Respondent violated <u>Neb. Rev. Stat.</u> § 44-4059(1)(o) for failing to maintain in good standing a resident insurance license in his home state of Texas.

**DISCUSSION** 

The uncontested evidence shows that Respondent, a resident of the state of Texas, voluntarily

surrendered his Texas insurance producer's license on or about May 20, 2021. By doing so,

Respondent has failed to maintain in good standing a resident insurance license in his home state,

directly violating the requirement outlined in Neb. Rev. Stat. § 44-4059(1)(o).

Failing to comply with the requirements of Neb. Rev. Stat. § 44-4059(1)(o) makes revocation

of Respondent's Nebraska non-resident insurance producer's license entirely appropriate in this case.

RECOMMENDED ORDER

Based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, it is recommended that Respondent's

Nebraska non-resident insurance producer license be revoked. The Nebraska Department of

Insurance shall retain jurisdiction of this matter for the purpose of enabling Respondent or the

Department of Insurance to make application for such further orders as may be necessary.

Dated this State day of October, 2021.

STATE OF NEBRASKA

DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

Thomas C. Green II, #21001

Hearing Officer

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### **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I have reviewed the foregoing Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommended Order and hereby certify that the Recommended Order is adopted as the official and final Order of this Department in the matter of State of Nebraska, Department of Insurance vs. William Dejuan Armstrong (NAIC Producer #18350499), Cause No. A-2267.

Dated this \_\_\_\_ day of October, 2021.

STATE OF NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

Eric Dunning

Director of Insurance

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Recommended Order, and Order were sent to the Respondent at the Respondent's registered mailing address, 1919 Jackson Street, Dallas, Texas 75201-4931, via regular U.S. mail on this day of October, 2021.