STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

In Re: Lynn Marie Levinson Docket No.: Ins. No. 22-042-EP

CONSENT ORDER

This Consent Order is made between the New Hampshire Insurance Department ("NHID") and Lynn Marie Levinson ("Respondent"), the terms of which are as follows:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- Respondent is a Georgia domiciled insurance producer who is licensed in the following lines of authority: surplus lines; property & casualty. She is currently employed by Specialty Program Group ("SPG").
- 2. NH law requires that licensees provide monthly statements on or before the tenth day of each month indicating all insurance policies and contracts procured under said license. Licensees must also file an annual sworn statement, no later than January 31st of each year, of the gross premiums charged for insurance procured or placed under such license, and at that time pay a sum equal to 3 percent of such gross premiums less any return premiums.
- 3. By February 1, 2022, Respondent had neither filed an annual sworn statement nor paid the premium tax. On or about April 7, 2022, the NHID requested Respondent's missing annual statement and premium tax, in addition to the statutory penalty of 6%. Respondent did not respond to this request. Subsequent demands by the NHID for an annual sworn statement and payment including statutory penalty occurred in May and June. Respondent again failed to respond to this request.

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- 4. On July 21, 2022, the NHID issued an Order to Show Cause demanding that Respondent demonstrate why the NHID should not revoke her producer license, levy an administrative fine, and order her to file an annual statement and pay past due premium tax and penalty.
- 5. On July 22, 2022, the compliance manager at SPG emailed the NHID to indicate that the compliance department had failed to pay the past due premium tax. The NHID received payment the same day and the late penalty shortly thereafter.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and the applicable provisions of law, the NHID concludes and finds the following Conclusions of Law:

- a. Respondent is subject to the jurisdiction of the NHID; and
- b. Respondent violated NH RSA 405:29.

ORDER

WHEREFORE, the NHID orders and Respondent consents to the following:

- a. The Respondent waives all rights to a formal administrative hearing in this matter and agrees that this Consent Order shall have the full force and effect of an Order fully entered in accordance with the adjudicatory procedure provided for in RSA Chapter 541-A and Ins Part 200.
- b. For the purposes of resolving this matter without a formal administrative hearing, Respondent agrees to an administrative penalty of \$500 to be paid by her employer, SPG. The check must be payable to "Treasurer, State of New Hampshire", and should be mailed to the attention of Sarah Prescott, New

Hampshire Insurance Department, 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 14, Concord, NH 03301.

- c. In the event that Respondent fails to meet any of the terms set forth in this section, the NHID may institute further administrative proceedings under the authority of RSA 400-A:15, III or any other applicable law.
- d. By entering into this Consent Order, the NHID and the Respondent intend to fully resolve all issues relating to the above-mentioned matters. This Consent Order shall be deemed a complete settlement and full and final resolution and is in lieu of any other action(s) that has and could have been brought by the NHID relating to these matters. Provided however, notwithstanding the foregoing, the NHID may take any and all appropriate actions should the Respondent violate any provision of the State's insurance laws in the future.
- e. This Consent Order shall be fully enforceable in any Superior Court in the State of New Hampshire, and any actions to enforce this Consent Order shall be governed by the laws of the State of New Hampshire.
- f. This Consent Order is considered a public regulatory action and will be reported to the National Association of Insurance Commissioners. The Respondent must, in the future, answer "YES" to any question which asks "have you ever been named or involved as party in an administrative proceeding" or any substantially similar question.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

NEW HAMPSHIRE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

Date: 5/17/2022

Date: 8/16/2022

Christopher Nicolopoulos, Commissioner

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Lynn Marie Levinson, Respondent