ROBERT LOUGY ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL OF NEW JERSEY Attorney for Plaintiff Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex 25 Market Street P. O. Box 117 Trenton, New Jersey 08625 Kevin J. McGowan By: Deputy Attorney General (609)292-6123 NJ Attorney ID No. 103102014 Kevin.McGowan@dol.lps.state.nj.us SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY SPECIAL CIVIL PART ESSEX COUNTY DOCKET NO. ESX-DC-10891-15 RICHARD J. BADOLATO, ACTING) Civil Action COMMISSIONER OF THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF BANKING) AND INSURANCE, STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT) Plaintiff, BFD NO. 13-51124-35) v. } ROBERT LYNCH,) Defendant.)

WHEREAS Richard J. Badolato, the Acting Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance ("Commissioner")¹

¹ Since the litigation commenced, Commissioner of Banking and Insurance Kenneth E. Kobylowski has resigned from his position. Because that position is currently held by Acting Commissioner of Banking and Insurance Richard J. Badolato, he is deemed to have been substituted in. See R. 4:34-4.

and Defendant, Robert Lynch, have reached an amicable agreement resolving the issues in controversy, and consented to the entry of the within Stipulation of Settlement; and

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED that, Defendant Robert Lynch falsely represented to his insurance carrier that he had not been involved in a motor vehicle accident during a lapse in coverage, and that the accident occurred after the reinstatement of his coverage, in violation of the New Jersey Insurance Fraud Prevention Act, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 17:33A-1 <u>et seq.</u> ("Fraud Act"); and

IT IS FURTHER HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED that, this conduct constitutes a violation of the Fraud Act, and any future violation of the Fraud Act shall be considered a subsequent violation; and

IT IS FURTHER HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED that, Defendant Robert Lynch shall pay a total sum of \$5,000.00("Settlement Amount") to the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance. This amount consists of civil penalties in the amount of \$3,500.00 pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 17:33A-5b, attorneys' fees in the amount of \$1,325.00 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5b, and a statutory insurance fraud surcharge of

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\$175.00 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5.1, to be satisfied upon the following terms and conditions:

1. Upon execution of this Stipulation of Settlement, Defendant Robert Lynch shall immediately remit to the attorney for the Commissioner a payment in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) by certified check, official bank check, or money order made payable to the "Commissioner, New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance" to the following address:

> Kevin J. McGowan, Deputy Attorney General Banking and Insurance Section R.J. Hughes Justice Complex 25 Market Street, 2nd Floor West Wing P.O. Box 117 Trenton, New Jersey 08625

2. Defendant Robert Lynch shall remit the remaining balance of \$4,500.00 in monthly installment payments due on the first of each month, beginning on May 1, 2016, until the full settlement amount has been paid. Installment payments are to be made as follows: \$125.00 per month for thirty-six (36) months beginning May 1, 2016.

3. All installment payments are to be paid by certified check, official bank check, or money order made payable to the "Commissioner, New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance" and sent to:

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Rose V. McGill Collections Department New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance 20 West State Street, 10th Floor P.O. Box 325 Trenton, New Jersey 08625

4. In conjunction with the execution of this Stipulation of Settlement, the parties shall also enter into a Consent Judgment for the entire amount; and

5. Pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 17:33A-10c, a copy of this Stipulation of Settlement shall be provided to any appropriate licensing authority; and

6. If Defendant Robert Lynch fails to make any scheduled payment within ten (10) days of its due date, the Commissioner can, upon notice to Defendant Robert Lynch, declare the entire balance outstanding to be immediately due and payable. Thereafter, the Commissioner may take any action available under the law of this State to collect the amount outstanding at that time, including post-judgment interest from the date of the judgment, attorneys' fees, and any other remedies available under the law; and

7. In the event full payment of the Settlement Amount is not made, the Commissioner may exercise any and all remedies

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available by law, including, but not limited to, recovery of any unpaid penalties pursuant to the Penalty Enforcement Law, N.J.S.A. 2A:58-10, et seq.; and

IT IS FURTHER HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED that, the penalties of this Stipulation of Settlement are imposed pursuant to the police powers of the State of New Jersey for the enforcement of the law and protection of the public health, safety, and welfare, and are not intended to constitute debts which may be limited or discharged in a bankruptcy proceeding.

CONSENTED AS TO FORM, CONTENT, AND ENTRY:

Robert Lyng

Defendant

Dated: 4-10-16

ROBERT LOUGY ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL OF NEW JERSEY Attorney for Plaintiff

Dated:

By:

Kevin J. McGowan Deputy Attorney General

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