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> SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION - ATLANTIC COUNTY DOCKET NO. ATL-L-003067-19

MARLENE CARIDE,)
COMMISSIONER OF THE)
NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF)
BANKING AND INSURANCE,)
)
Plaintiff,) <u>Civil Action</u>
)
V .) ORDER OF FINAL JUDGMENT
) BY DEFAULT
BRITTNI M. SLOTTERBACK,)
)
Defendant.)

Defendant, Brittni M. Slotterback ("Defendant"), having been duly served with a copy of the Summons and Complaint in the above-captioned action, and default having been entered for Defendant's failure to appear, answer, or otherwise defend;

This Court now finds that Defendant (i) made written and oral statements in support of a claim for payment pursuant to an insurance policy knowing that the statements contained false or

misleading information concerning material facts, and (ii) concealed or knowingly failed to disclose the occurrence of an event which affected her right or entitlement to insurance benefits or payments, in violation of the New Jersey Insurance Fraud Prevention Act, N.J.S.A. 17:33A-1 to -30 ("Fraud Act").

Specifically, Defendant (i) misrepresented to an insurance company that she had custody of a minor child who was entitled to dependency benefits under an insurance policy in order for Defendant to receive those benefits, when in fact Defendant did not have custody of the child, in violation of N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(1), and (ii) failed to disclose to the insurance company that she had lost custody of the child, which would make her ineligible for the dependency benefits, in violation of N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(3).

FINAL JUDGMENT is on this 16th day of October 2020, entered in the amount of \$39,537.70 against Defendant and in favor of Plaintiff, Marlene Caride, Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance. This amount consists of \$10,000.00 in civil penalties for two (2) violations of the Fraud Act pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b); attorneys' fees of \$3,533.00 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b); a statutory fraud surcharge of \$1,000.00 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5.1; and the payment of restitution to New Jersey Manufacturers Insurance Company in the amount of \$25,004.70 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-26.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that a copy of this Order be served upon all parties within seven (7) days of the date of receipt.

Mary C. Siracusa, J.S.C.

This motion was:

Opposed X Unopposed