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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY SPECIAL CIVIL PART - ESSEX COUNTY DOCKET NO. ESX-DC-004698-20

MARLENE CARIDE,

COMMISSIONER OF THE NEW

JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF

BANKING AND INSURANCE,

Plaintiff,

V.

YANNICK EKOUDI,

Defendant.

Defendant.

THIS MATTER HAVING BEEN opened to the Court on the application of Gurbir S. Grewal, Attorney General of New Jersey, (by Brian R. Fitzgerald, Deputy Attorney General, appearing), attorney for Plaintiff, Marlene Caride, Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance on a motion for judgment by default; and

Defendant, Yannick Ekoudi ("Defendant"), having been duly

served with a copy of the Summons and Complaint in the abovecaptioned action, and default having been entered for Defendant's failure to appear, answer, or otherwise defend;

This Court now finds that Defendant violated the New Jersey Insurance Fraud Prevention Act, N.J.S.A. 17:33A-1 to -30 ("Fraud Act"). Specifically, Defendant submitted written statements in support of a claim for payment pursuant to an insurance policy knowing that the statements contained false information concerning material facts by submitting a fictitious claim for reimbursement for medical expenses that he had not in fact occurred, and submitted fabricated medical records in support of the claim, in violation of N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(1); and

FINAL JUDGMENT is on this **8** day of **Jan**. 2020, entered in the amount of \$7,972.50 against Defendant, and in favor of Plaintiff, Marlene Caride, Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance. This amount consists of \$5,000.00 in civil penalties for one violation of the Fraud Act, N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b); attorneys' fees of \$1,972.50 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b); and a statutory fraud surcharge of \$1,000.00 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5.1.

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