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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
SPECIAL CIVIL PART - OCEAN COUNTY
DOCKET NO. OCN-DC-004368-20

MARLENE CARIDE,)
COMMISSIONER OF THE NEW)
JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF)
BANKING AND INSURANCE,)
)
Plaintiff,)
)
v.)
)
MARGARET GEIGER,)
)
Defendant.)

Civil Action
**ORDER FOR FINAL JUDGMENT BY
DEFAULT**
**SPECIAL CIVIL PART: STATUTORY
PENALTIES**
AMOUNT IN CONTROVERSY: \$7,245.00

Defendant, Margaret Geiger ("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 violated the New Jersey Insurance Fraud Prevention Act, N.J.S.A. 17:33A-1 to -30, specifically N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(3) and N.J.S.A. 17:33A-

4(a)(4)(b), by knowingly failing to disclose the occurrence of an event which affected her right to an insurance benefit, and by making a statement for the purpose of obtaining an insurance policy that contained false information concerning facts material to an insurance application, specifically by failing to disclose in her insurance application with Progressive Garden State Insurance Company ("Progressive") that she resided with her daughter who was a licensed driver and regularly operated of insured vehicles, and falsely stating that she was going to be the only resident to operate said vehicles; and

FINAL JUDGMENT is on this **26th** day of **May** 2021, entered in the amount of \$7,245.00 against Defendant, Margaret Geiger, 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 New Jersey Insurance Fraud Prevention Act, N.J.S.A. 17:33A-1 to -30; attorneys' fees of \$1,245.00 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.

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

Robert E. Brenner

Hon. Robert E. Brenner, J.S.C.

This motion was:

_____ Opposed

X Unopposed