ANDREW J. BRUCK ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL OF NEW JERSEY Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex P.O. Box 117 Trenton, New Jersey 08625 Attorney for the Commissioner Ashleigh B. Shelton By: Deputy Attorney General NJ Attorney ID: 294162019 (609) 376-2965 Ashleigh.Shelton@law.njoag.gov SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION-OCEAN COUNTY DOCKET NO. OCN-L-19-17 MARLENE CARIDE,) COMMISSIONER OF THE NEW) JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF) BANKING & INSURANCE, et Civil Action al., Plaintiffs, STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT) v. BERNARDO NEIMAN et al., Defendants.

WHEREAS Plaintiff Marlene Caride, Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance¹ ("Plaintiff" or "Commissioner"), and Defendant Bernardo Neiman ("Defendant") (collectively "Parties") have reached an amicable agreement

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resolving the issues in controversy, and consented to the entry of the within Stipulation of Settlement ("Stipulation").

NOW THEREFORE, for good cause shown, the Parties agree fully and finally to settle this matter pursuant to the terms and conditions below.

1. Defendant admits he violated the New Jersey Insurance Fraud Prevention Act, N.J.S.A. 17:33A-1 to -30 ("Fraud Act"), specifically N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(e), by knowingly acting as a runner in exchange for remuneration at the direction of, request of, or in cooperation with Defendant Anhuar Bandy and/or Defendant Karim Bandy.

2. Defendant's aforementioned conduct constitutes one violation of the Fraud Act, and any future violations of the Fraud Act shall be considered second and subsequent violations.

3. Defendant agrees that he shall not engage in any future violations of the Fraud Act.

4. Defendant shall pay a total amount of \$5,750.00 to the Commissioner ("Settlement Amount") which consists of \$5,000.00 in civil penalties pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b); \$500.00 in attorneys' fees pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b); and \$250.00 in statutory surcharge pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5.1.

5. Defendant shall pay the Settlement Amount pursuant to the following terms and conditions:

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a. Immediately upon execution of this Stipulation by Defendant, Defendant shall remit to the attorney for the Commissioner a down payment in the amount of \$500.00 by certified check, official bank check, or money order made payable to the "Commissioner, New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance" and sent to:

> Ashleigh B. Shelton, Deputy Attorney General Banking and Insurance Section R.J. Hughes Justice Complex 25 Market Street P.O. Box 117 Trenton, New Jersey 08625

b. Defendant shall remit the remaining balance of \$5,250.00 in monthly installment payments of \$145.84 each, to be paid on or by the first day of each month, with the final monthly payment totaling \$145.60, beginning Decomber 15, 2022 B.H full Settlement Amount has been 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:

> 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

6. No representation, inducement, promise, understanding, condition, or warranty not set forth in this Stipulation has been made to or relied upon by Defendant in agreeing

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to this Stipulation. Defendant represents that this Stipulation is freely and voluntary entered into without any degree of duress or compulsion.

7. The Parties agree that each Party shall bear its own legal and other costs incurred in connection with this matter, and no additional attorneys' fees or costs shall be due, except for the attorneys' fees that Defendant agrees to pay to the Commissioner herein, and Defendant agrees to pay all reasonable costs of collection and enforcement of this Stipulation, including attorneys' fees and expenses.

8. For purposes of construction, this Stipulation shall be deemed drafted by all Parties to this Stipulation and therefore shall not be construed against any Party for that reason in any subsequent dispute.

9. The undersigned counsel and any other signatories represent and warrant that they are fully authorized to execute this Stipulation on behalf of the persons indicated below.

10. All communications from any party concerning the subject matter of this Stipulation shall be addressed as follows:

If to the Commissioner: Ashleigh B. Shelton Deputy Attorney General Banking and Insurance Section R.J. Hughes Justice Complex 25 Market Street P.O. Box 117 Trenton, New Jersey 08625

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If to Defendant: Bernardo Neiman 418 Doyle Street Elizabeth, New Jersey 07206

11. This Stipulation may be executed in counterparts, each of which constitutes an original and all of which constitutes one and the same agreement.

12. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-10(c), a copy of this Stipulation shall be provided to any appropriate licensing authority.

13. This Stipulation can be used in any subsequent civil or criminal proceeding.

14. The penalties in this Stipulation 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:

ANDREW J. BRUCK ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL OF NEW JERSEY Attorney for Plaintiff

Dated: 1/6/2022

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Deputy Attorney General

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Dated: Dec. 12, 2021

Bernardo Neiman, Defendant

Ducia Perpina, Esq. Counsel for Defendant

Dated: Dec. 12, 2021

ANDREW J. BRUCK ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL OF NEW JERSEY Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex P.O. Box 117 Trenton, New Jersey 08625 Attorney for Plaintiff

By: Ashleigh B. Shelton Deputy Attorney General NJ Attorney ID: 294162019 (609) 376-2965 Ashleigh.Shelton@law.njoag.gov

> SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION-OCEAN COUNTY DOCKET NO. OCN-L-19-17

MARLENE CARIDE, COMMISSIONER OF THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF)) Civil Action
BANKING & INSURANCE, et al.,) ORDER OF ENTRY OF JUDGMENT) BY CONSENT
Plaintiffs,)
V .)
BERNARDO NEIMAN, et al.,)

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Defendants.

This matter having been brought before the Court by Andrew J. Bruck, Acting Attorney General of the State of New Jersey, Attorney for Plaintiff, Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance¹, (Ashleigh B. Shelton, Deputy Attorney General, appearing), and the undersigned parties having executed a

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Stipulation of Settlement and consented to the form and entry of this Order;

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IT IS ON THIS ¹¹ day of ^{January, 2022} , 2021,

ORDERED that Judgment shall be and hereby is entered against Defendant, Bernardo Neiman, and in favor of Plaintiff, Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance, in the amount of \$5,750.00 which amount shall be paid pursuant to the terms of the Stipulation of Settlement and consists of civil penalties in the amount of \$5,000.00 for one violation of the New Jersey Insurance Fraud Prevention Act pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b), attorneys' fees in the amount of \$500.00 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b), and a statutory fraud surcharge in the amount of \$250.00 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5.1, which is separate and apart from the civil penalty; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that a copy of this order shall be served by the Commissioner's counsel upon Neiman within $\frac{7}{}$ days of receipt.

Craig L. Wellerson

J.S.C.

Craig L. Wellerson, P.J.Cv.P.

CONSENTED AS TO FORM, CONTENT AND ENTRY OF ORDER:

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ANDREW J. BRUCK ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL OF NEW JERSEY Attorney for Plaintiff

Dated: 162022

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Dated: Dec. 12,2021

Deputy Attorney General By: Bernardo Neiman; Defendant

Dated: Dec. 12, 2021

By:

Lucía Perpina, E sq. Counsel for Defendant