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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION - ESSEX COUNTY DOCKET NO. ESX-L-6372-21

MARLENE CARIDE, COMMISSIONER OF THE)	Civil Action		
NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF BANKING AND INSURANCE,)	STIPULATION	OF	SETTLEMENT
Plaintiff,)			
V.)			
TAMIKA JOHN,)			
Defendant.)			

WHEREAS Plaintiff Marlene Caride, Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance ("Plaintiff" or "Commissioner"), and Defendant Tamika John ("Defendant") (collectively, "Parties") have reached an amicable agreement resolving the issues in controversy, and consented to the entry of the within Stipulation of Settlement ("Settlement").

WHEREAS the Parties have determined and hereby agree that settlement is in each of their best interests, and for good cause shown.

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

- Insurance Fraud Prevention Act, N.J.S.A. 17:33A-1 to -30 ("Fraud Act"), specifically Defendant misrepresented in a change in her automobile insurance policy, application for automobile insurance, and in connection with an automobile insurance claim, that she resided and her vehicle was garaged in Newark, New Jersey and she did not spend any time in New York overnight when, in fact, Defendant resided and garaged her vehicle in Brooklyn and/or Harlem, New York, in violation of N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(3), N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(4)(a), N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(4)(b), and N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(1).
- 2. Defendant's aforementioned conduct constitutes three violations of the Fraud Act, and any future violations of the Fraud Act shall be considered subsequent violations pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(c).
- 3. Defendant agrees that she shall not engage in any future violations of the Fraud Act.

- 4. Defendant shall pay a total settlement of \$3,125.00 to the Commissioner ("Settlement Amount"). This Settlement Amount consists of \$2,500.00 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 \$125.00 statutory surcharge pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5.1.
- 5. Defendant shall satisfy the judgment upon the following terms and conditions:

Immediately upon execution of this Stipulation of Settlement by Defendant, Defendant shall remit to the attorney for the Commissioner a payment in the amount of \$3,125.00 by certified check, official bank check, or money order made payable to the "Commissioner, New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance" and sent to:

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Banking and Insurance Section
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6. No representation, inducement, promise, understanding, condition, or warranty not set forth in this Settlement has been made to or relied upon by Defendant in agreeing to this Settlement. Defendant represents that this Settlement 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 Defendant agrees to pay Plaintiff's attorneys' fees pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b) in the amount stated above and all reasonable costs of collection and enforcement of this Settlement, including attorneys' fees and expenses.
- 8. For purposes of construction, this Settlement shall be deemed drafted by all Parties to this Settlement 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 Settlement on behalf of the persons indicated below.
- 10. All communications from any party concerning the subject matter of this Settlement shall be addressed as follows:

If to the Commissioner:

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R.J. Hughes Justice Complex
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If to Defendant:

Tamika John 6 Stockton Place Apartment 16 East Orange, NJ 07017-5257 11. This Settlement 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 of Settlement shall be provided to any appropriate

licensing authority.

13. This Stipulation of Settlement may be used in any

subsequent civil or criminal proceedings.

14. The penalties of this 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:

MATTHEW J. PLATKIN

ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL OF NEW JERSEY

Attorney for Plaintiff

Dated.

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Bv.

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Defendant