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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
SPECIAL CIVIL PART - OCEAN COUNTY
DOCKET NO. OCN-DC-007977-21

| | MARLENE CARIDE, |
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| Civil Action | COMMISSIONER OF THE NEW |
|) | JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF |
| ORDER FOR FINAL JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT | BANKING AND INSURANCE, |
|) | Plaintiff, |
| SPECIAL CIVIL PART: STATUTORY PENALTIES | V. |
|) AMOUNT IN CONTROVERSY: \$9,335.0 | CHRISTINE WOOLNOUGH, |
|)) | Defendant. |

THIS MATTER HAVING BEEN opened to the Court on the application of Matthew J. Platkin, Attorney General of New Jersey, (by Ashleigh B. Shelton, Deputy Attorney General, appearing) attorney for Plaintiff, Marlene Caride, Commissioner

of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance on a motion for final judgment by default; and

Defendant, Christine Woolnough ("Defendant"), having been duly served with a copy of the Summons and Complaint in the above-captioned action and default having been entered for 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 N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(1) and N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(3) by falsely stating to Progressive Garden State Insurance Company ("Progressive") that there was no preexisting damage to her 2007 Honda when she reported a claim for the payment of benefits on or about August 19, 2019, when in fact there was preexisting damage; and

FINAL JUDGMENT is on this 7TH day of NOVEMBER, 2022, entered in the amount of \$9,335.00 against Defendant Christine Woolnough and in favor of Plaintiff, Marlene Caride, Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance. This amount consists of: a \$5,000.00 civil penalty for one violation of the Fraud Act, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b); attorneys' fees of \$3,335.00, 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; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:6A-15, Defendant's driving privileges shall be suspended for a period of one year from the date of this judgment.

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

John M. Doran

HON. JOHN M. DORAN, J.S.C.

This motion was:

_____Opposed

X Unopposed