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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
SPECIAL CIVIL PART - BERGEN COUNTY
DOCKET NO. BER-DC-001847-22

MARLENE CARIDE,)
COMMISSIONER OF THE NEW)
JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF)
BANKING & INSURANCE,)
)
Plaintiff,)
)
v.)
)
CHRISTOPHER CIOFFI and)
MACH 1 TOWING CORPORATION,)
)
Defendants.)

Civil Action
AMENDED ORDER FOR FINAL JUDGMENT
BY
DEFAULT
SPECIAL CIVIL PART: STATUTORY
PENALTIES
AMOUNT IN CONTROVERSY:
\$17,365.00

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

Defendants, Christopher Cioffi ("Defendant Cioffi") and Mach 1 Towing Corporation ("Defendant Mach 1") (collectively "Defendants"), 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; and

On December 20, 2022, this Court has directed the Commissioner to submit an Amended Order for Final Judgment, with the form, substance, and relief described herein; and

This Court now finds that Defendants 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)(6) and N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(1), (2) and (3) by altering and falsifying a certificate of insurance, and presenting that false certificate of insurance to Markel Insurance Company on or about March 11, 2018 in support of a claim for payment; and

FINAL JUDGMENT is on this **18** day of **January** ~~2022~~, **2023**,
entered in the amount of \$17,365.00 against Defendants in favor of Plaintiff, Marlene Caride, Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance and against Defendants as follows: \$15,000.00 in civil penalties for two violations of the

Fraud Act, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b) for which Defendants are jointly and severally liable; attorneys' fees of \$365.00, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 22A:2-42, for which Defendants are jointly and severally liable; a statutory fraud surcharge of \$1,000.00 against Defendant Cioffi, separately and individually, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5.1; and a statutory fraud surcharge of \$1,000.00 against Defendant Mach 1 separately and individually pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5.1and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:6A-15, the driving privileges of Defendant Cioffi 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.

/s/ Joseph G. Monaghan

Joseph G. Monaghan, J.S.C.

This motion was:

_____ Opposed

 x Unopposed