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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
SPECIAL CIVIL PART - ESSEX COUNTY
DOCKET NO. ESX-DC-018584-21

MARLENE CARIDE,)
COMMISSIONER OF THE NEW)
JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF)
BANKING & INSURANCE,)
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Plaintiff,)
)
v.)
)
LATISHA WILLIAMS,)
)
Defendant.)

Civil Action

**ORDER FOR FINAL JUDGMENT BY
DEFAULT**

THIS MATTER HAVING BEEN opened to the Court on the application of Matthew J. Platkin, Attorney General of New Jersey, (by Eleanor Heck, Deputy Attorney General, appearing), attorney for Plaintiff, Marlene Caride, Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance (“Plaintiff”) on a motion for final judgment by default; and

Defendant, Latisha Williams (“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)(4)(b), N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(3)(a) and (b), and N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(5), by knowingly providing false and misleading information concerning a material fact to New Jersey Manufacturers Insurance Company ("NJM") in a Statement of No Loss on June 3, 2016, which Defendant submitted in support of an application to reinstate her automobile insurance policy that had lapsed; and

FINAL JUDGMENT is on this 28TH day of APRIL 2023, entered in the amount of \$15,200.00 against Defendant, and in favor of Plaintiff. 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 \$3,500.00, 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; restitution of \$5,700.00 payable to NJM; 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 on

all parties within seven (7) days of the date of receipt ^{the date hereof per the Rules of Court.}

15/Hon. Robert H. Gardner, J.S.C.

Hon. ROBERT H. GARDNER, J.S.C.

This motion was:

Opposed

Unopposed