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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION - OCEAN COUNTY
DOCKET NO. OCN-L-001797-22

JUSTIN ZIMMERMAN, ACTING
COMMISSIONER OF THE
NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF
BANKING & INSURANCE¹,

Plaintiff,

Civil Action

v.

**AMENDED ORDER OF FINAL
JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT**

GREGORY BUTLER

Defendant.

THIS MATTER HAVING BEEN opened to the Court on the application of Matthew

¹ Pursuant to R. 4:34-4, the caption has been revised to reflect the current Acting Commissioner of the Department of Banking and Insurance.

J. Platkin, Attorney General of New Jersey (by Richard E. Wegryn, Jr., Deputy Attorney General, appearing), attorney for Plaintiff, Justin Zimmerman, Acting Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance on a motion for final judgment by default; and

The Defendant, Gregory Butler ("Defendant"), having been duly served with a copy of the Summons and Complaint in the above-entitled action and having been defaulted 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, specifically N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(1), and -4(a)(3)(a) and (b), by presenting false and misleading oral statements to Progressive Garden State Insurance Company ("Progressive") on March 4, 2019 and on March 8, 2019, and by presenting altered and misleading photographs to Progressive on March 4, 2019, concerning damage to Defendant's vehicle in support of a claim for payment or other benefit;

FINAL JUDGMENT is on this 24th day of July 2023, entered in the amount of \$9,922.50 against Defendant, in favor of the Plaintiff, Justin Zimmerman, Acting Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance. This amount consists of \$5,000.00 in civil penalties pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5b, \$3,842.50 in attorneys' fees pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5b; and costs of service in the amount of \$80.00, 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.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:6A-15, Defendant's New Jersey 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 Amended Order be served upon all parties within seven (7) days of the date of receipt.

/s/ James Den Uyl
James Den Uyl, J.S.C.

This motion was:

_____ Opposed
 x Unopposed