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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
SPECIAL CIVIL PART - HUDSON COUNTY
DOCKET NO. HUD-DC-005484-22

JUSTIN ZIMMERMAN, ACTING COMMISSIONER OF THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF	) <u>Civil Action</u>
BANKING AND INSURANCE <sup>1</sup> ,	ORDER FOR FINAL JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT
Plaintiff,	)
v.	SPECIAL CIVIL PART: STATUTORY PENALTIES
MEISAM SEDIGHI,	) AMOUNT IN CONTROVERSY: \$9,018.00
Defendant.	) )

THIS MATTER HAVING BEEN opened to the Court on the application of Matthew J. Platkin, Attorney General of New Jersey, (by Nicholas Kant, Deputy Attorney General, appearing), attorney for Plaintiff, Justin Zimmerman, Acting Commissioner of

<sup>1</sup> Pursuant to R. 4:34-4, the caption has been revised to reflect the current Acting Commissioner of the Department.

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

Defendant, Meisam Sedighi ("Defendant"), having been duly served with a copy of the Summons and Complaint in the above-captioned action, and default having been entered for Defendant's 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") by making oral statements in support of a claim for payment or other benefit pursuant to an insurance policy knowing that the statements contained false or misleading information concerning a fact or thing material to the claim, in violation of the Fraud Act.

Specifically, Defendant in support of an automobile damage claim, falsely represented that damage occurred to his vehicle after he lowered his deductibles and added rental car coverage, when in fact the damage occurred prior to lowering his deductibles and adding rental car coverage, in violation of N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(1); and

FINAL JUDGMENT is on this <u>25th</u> day of <u>AUGUST</u> 2023, entered in the amount of \$9,018.00 against Defendant, and in favor of Plaintiff, Justin Zimmerman, Acting Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance. This amount

consists of \$5,000.00 in civil penalties for one violation of the Fraud Act, N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b); attorneys' fees of \$3,018.00 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 driving privileges will be suspended for a period of one (1) year from the date of this judgment.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that a copy of this Order be served upon all parties within  $\begin{array}{c} 7 \\ \end{array}$  days of the date of receipt.

Hon. Kalimah H. Ahmad, J.S.C

This motion was:

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