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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION - ESSEX COUNTY
DOCKET NO. ESX-L-962-23

JUSTIN ZIMMERMAN¹, ACTING
COMMISSIONER OF THE
NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF
BANKING AND INSURANCE,

Plaintiff,

v.

MATTHEW JACKSON,
Defendant.

Defendant, Matthew Jackson ("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; and

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

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

N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(4)(b) and N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(1) by: (1) failing to disclose to Progressive Garden State Insurance Company ("Progressive") on an automobile insurance application dated April 22, 2020, that the to-be insured vehicle was involved in an accident one day prior to the application; and (2) falsely stating to Progressive, in support of his claim for insurance benefits filed on April 23, 2020, that the accident occurred after the policy was issued, when in fact, it occurred before the policy was issued; and

FINAL JUDGMENT is on this <sup>20th</sup>day of October, <sup>2023</sup>, entered in the amount of \$10,467.50 against Defendant, Matthew Jackson, 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-1 to -30, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b); attorneys' fees of \$4,392.50, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b); a statutory fraud surcharge of \$1,000.00, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5.1; and cost of service in the amount of \$75.00 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b).

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

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

Richard T. Sules, J. S. C.

Hon. Richard T. Sules, J.S.C.

This motion was:

\_\_\_\_\_ Opposed

\_\_\_\_\_ Unopposed