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In the Matter of:

EDWARD GEORGE HENDERSON.

Respondent.

ORDER

On February 10, 2006, the Office of Administrative Hearings, through

Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") Lewis D. Kowal, issued an Administrative Law Judge

Decision ("Recommended Decision"), received by the Director of the Department of Insurance

("Director") on February 15, 2006, a copy of which is attached and incorporated by this

reference. The Director of the Department of Insurance has reviewed the Recommended

Decision and enters the following Order:

- 1. The Recommended Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law are adopted.
- 2. Respondent's accident/health and life producer's license is revoked.

NOTIFICATION OF RIGHTS

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1092.09, Respondent may request a rehearing with respect to this order by filing a written motion with the Director of the Department of Insurance within 30 days of the date of this Order, setting forth the basis for relief under A.A.C. R20-6-114(B). Pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1092.09, it is not necessary to request a rehearing before filing an appeal to Superior Court.

Respondent may appeal the final decision of the Director to the Superior Court of 1 Maricopa County for judicial review pursuant to A.R.S. § 20-166. A party filing an appeal must 2 notify the Office of Administrative Hearings of the appeal within ten days after filing the 3 complaint commencing the appeal, pursuant to A.R.S. § 12-904(B). 4 DATED this of February, 2006 5 6 7 CHRISTINA URIAS 8 Director of Insurance 9 10 A copy of the foregoing mailed this 17th day of February, 2006 11 Mary Kosinski, Executive Assistant for Regulatory Affairs 12 Catherine O'Neil, Consumer Legal Affairs Officer Steve Fromholtz, Producer Licensing Administrator 13 Arizona Department of Insurance 2910 N. 44th Street, Suite 210 14 Phoenix, AZ 85018 15 Office of Administrative Hearings 1400 W. Washington, Suite 101 Phoenix, AZ 85007 16 17 Moira McCarthy **Assistant Attorney General** 1275 W. Washington 18 Phoenix, AZ 85007 19 **Edward George Henderson** 7400 E. Golf Links, #454 20 Tucson, AZ 85730 21 22

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IN THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

In The Matter Of:

No. 05A-142-INS

EDWARD GEORGE HENDERSON

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

Respondent,

HEARING: January 25, 2006

<u>APPEARANCES</u>: Assistant Attorney General Moira McCarthy appeared on behalf of the Arizona Department of Insurance; Edward George Henderson did not appear at the hearing

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Lewis D. Kowal

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. At all times material to this matter, Edward George Henderson ("Respondent") was and currently is licensed by the Arizona Department of Insurance ("Department") as an accident /health and life producer.
- 2. The Department issued Respondent an accident/health and life producer license, license number 310914.
- 3. On April 27, 2005, the Department issued a letter to Respondent that was mailed to his address of record, sent certified mail return receipt requested, informing him that his fingerprint card could not be processed and was returned by the Arizona Department of Public Safety ("DPS") as illegible. In that letter, the Department requested that Respondent submit a replacement set of fingerprints and enclosed a blank replacement fingerprint form. The Department provided a deadline of June 1, 2005 for the return of the completed replacement fingerprint form.
- 4. The Department presented a signed receipt card depicting the signature of Becky Gilmour, the person who signed for the letter at Respondent's residential address of record with the Department, as evidence of Respondent's receipt of the above-mentioned letter.

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5. Because the Department did not receive the requested replacement fingerprint form from Respondent as requested, the Department sent another letter to Respondent on July 5, 2005, giving Respondent a deadline of fifteen days from the date of the letter to file a replacement fingerprint form with the Department.

- 6. The Department presented a signed receipt card depicting the signature of Becky Gilmour, the person who signed for the letter at Respondent's residential address of record with the Department, as evidence of Respondent's receipt of the July 5, 2005 letter.
- 7. Steven Fromholtz ("Mr. Fromholtz"), Producer Licensing Administrator for the Department, testified that, to date, the Department has not received any communication from Respondent in response to the above-mentioned letters and the Department has not received a replacement fingerprint form from Respondent.
- 8. Mr. Fromholtz testified that when an application for a producer's license is received and there is no criminal history disclosed on the application, the application is processed and the applicant receives a license upon payment of the appropriate fee. The fingerprint card is reviewed so as to make sure there are no blank spaces and the card is forwarded to the DPS for processing, which includes processing by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.
- 9. According to Mr. Fromholtz, until the fingerprint card is processed and returned to the Department, and a criminal background history search is conducted, with the results provided to the Department, the license application process has not been completed.
- 10. Evidence was presented establishing that the Notice of Hearing issued in this matter by the Department was sent certified mail, return receipt requested, to the address of record the Department has for Respondent and that the envelope containing the Notice of Hearing was returned to the Department on January 17, 2006, unclaimed.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAWN

1. This matter is a disciplinary proceeding wherein the Department must prove by a preponderance of the evidence that Respondent violated the State's Insurance Laws. See A.AC. R2-19-119.

2. Respondent's conduct, as described above, constitutes a violation of A.R.S. § 20-285(F)(2), by having failed to meet the requirement that an applicant must submit a full set of fingerprints to the Department.

- 3. Respondent's conduct, as set forth above, constitutes a violation of A.R.S. § 20-295(A)(1), by having failed to provide complete information in the license application.
- 4. Respondent's conduct, as set forth above, constitutes the violation of any provision of A.R.S., Title 20 within the meaning of A.R.S. § 20-295(A)(2).
- 5. Grounds exist for the Director of the Department to suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew Respondent's license pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 20-295(A)(1) and (A)(2).

ORDER

Based upon the above, IT IS ORDERED that Respondent's accident/health and life producer's license is revoked on the effective date of the Order entered in this matter.

Done this day, February 10, 2006.

Lewis D. Kowal

Administrative Law Judge

Original transmitted by mail this

13 day of February , 2006

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