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LAKSHMI PRIYA SUNDARAMOORTHI

No. 07A-075-INS

ORDER

Respondent.

On September 21, 2007, the Office of Administrative Hearings, through Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") Lewis Kowal, issued an Administrative Law Judge Decision ("Recommended Decision"), received by the Director of the Department of Insurance ("Director") on September 25, 2007, 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 license, # 862408, is revoked immediately.

NOTIFICATION OF RIGHTS

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes ("A.R.S.") § 41-1092.09, Respondent may request a rehearing with respect to this order by filling 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 Maricopa County for judicial review pursuant to A.R.S. § 20-166. A party filing an appeal

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1	must notify the Office of Administrative Hearings of the appeal within ten days after filin
2	the complaint commencing the appeal, pursuant to A.R.S. § 12-904(B).
3	DATED this 25th day of September, 2007.
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5	CHRISTINA URIAS, Director
6	Arizona Department of Insurance
7	COPY of the foregoing mailed this 28th day of September, 2007 to:
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9	Lakshmi Priya Sundaramoorthi 16533 N. 71 st Drive Peoria, AZ 85382 Respondent Mary E. Kosinski, Exec. Assistant for Regulatory Affairs Mary Butterfield, Assistant Director
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LAKSHMI PRIYA SUNDARAMOORTHI

No. 07A-075-INS

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

HEARING: September 6, 2007

<u>APPEARANCES</u>: Assistant Attorney General Lynette Evans; Lakshmi Priya Sundaramoorthi did not appear at the hearing.

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Lewis D. Kowal

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. At all times material to this matter, Lakshmi Priya Sundaramoorthi ("Respondent") was and currently is licensed by the Arizona Department of Insurance ("Department") as an accident/health and life producer.
- 2. On April 11, 2006, the Department issued Respondent an accident/health and life producer, license number 862408 ("License"), which expires on November 30, 2009.
- 3. On August 21, 2006, the Department issued a letter to Respondent that was mailed to her address of record, informing her that her fingerprint card could not be processed and was returned by the Federal Bureau of Investigation 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 September 26, 2006 for the return of the completed replacement fingerprint form.
- 4. Because the Department did not receive the requested replacement fingerprint form from Respondent as requested, the Department sent another letter to Respondent at her address of record on December 6, 2006, certified mail, return receipt requested, giving Respondent a deadline of fifteen days from the date of the letter to file a replacement fingerprint form with the Department. The Department also sent a copy of

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the December 6, 2006 letter to Respondent at her home address on file with the Department. The letter sent to Respondent's home address was returned to the Department by the Untied States Postal Service indicating that the address was vacant and the United States Postal Service was unable to forward the letter.

- 5. The Department submitted as an exhibit a copy of a signed receipt card that showed the December 6, 2006 letter was received by a person at Respondent's business address of record, which was the address of record the Department had for Respondent. See Exhibit 5.
- 6. 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.
- 7. Mr. Fromhotz testified that the Department has not received any change of address notification from Respondent and that the above-mentioned letters were sent to the mailing address of record the Department had for Respondent.
- 8. Mr. Fromholtz also testified that when an application for a producer's license is received, the fingerprint card that accompanies the license application is forwarded to the Arizona Department of Public Safety for processing, which includes processing by the Federal Bureau of Investigation for criminal history background checks to be conducted.
- 9. Respondent did not present any evidence to refute or rebut the evidence that the Department presented.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 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. During the application process, the Director of the Department required Respondent to submit a full set of fingerprints and Respondent's illegible fingerprint submission did not satisfy that requirement. See A.R.S. § 20-285(F)(2).
- 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 the License pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 20-295(A).

ORDER

Based upon the above, the License shall be revoked on the effective date of the Order entered in this matter.

Done this day, September 21, 2007.

Lewis D. Kowal

Administrative Law Judge

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Original transmitted by mail this 24 day of Lestenle 2007, to:

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