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STATE OF ARIZONA

DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

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In the Matter of:

SAFEGROUP LLC
(National Producer # 18285827)
(Legacy AZ License # 1171320)

No. 17A-057-INS

CONSENT ORDER

Respondent.

The State of Arizona Department of Insurance ("Department") has received evidence that **Safegroup LLC** violated provisions of Title 20, Arizona Revised Statutes. Respondent wishes to resolve this matter without the commencement of formal proceedings, and admits the following Findings of Fact are true and consents to entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Safegroup LLC ("Respondent") is and was at all material times licensed as a resident insurance producer with lines of authority in property and casualty, life, accident and health or sickness, National Producer Number 18285827, which expires January 31, 2021.
2. Respondent's addresses of record with the Department are: 13954 W. Waddell Rd., Ste. 103-255, Surprise, AZ 85379 (business and mailing).
3. On or about January 19, 2017, the Department issued to Respondent a license as an insurance producer, National Producer Number 18285827.
4. Degerald Antwan Gilkey ("Gilkey") is a member of Respondent. Gilkey's business e-mail address is: ANTWAN@GILKEYINSURANCE.COM.
5. On March 6, 2017, the Department notified Respondent by mail at its address of record that Gilkey's fingerprint card had been processed and returned by the Arizona Department of Public Safety (DPS) as illegible. The Department requested a replacement set

1 of fingerprints along with a completed "Illegible Fingerprint Replacement Form" on or before
2 March 31, 2017. Respondent did not reply to the Department's request.

3 6. On April 5, 2017, the Department notified Respondent a second time by mail at
4 its address of record that Gilkey's fingerprints had been returned by DPS as illegible and that
5 the Department was about to initiate an administrative action against its license for failure to
6 comply with the fingerprint requirement. The Department requested a response by April 27,
2017.

7 7. To date, Gilkey has not submitted a full set of fingerprints to the Department.

8 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

9 1. The Director has jurisdiction over this matter.

10 2. Respondent's conduct as described above constitutes the violation of the
11 requirement that an applicant submit a full set of fingerprints to the Department within the
meaning of A.R.S. §§ 20-285(D) and (E)(2).

12 3. Respondent's conduct as described above constitutes providing incomplete
13 information in the license application within the meaning of A.R.S. § 20-295(A)(1).

14 4. Respondent's conduct as described above constitutes the violation of any
15 provision of A.R.S. Title 20 or any rule, subpoena or order of the director within the meaning of
A.R.S. § 20-295(A)(2).

16 5. Grounds exist for the Acting Director to suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew
17 Respondent's insurance license, impose a civil penalty and/or order restitution pursuant to
A.R.S. §§ 20-295(B) and (F).

18 **ORDER**

19 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

20 1. Respondent may surrender its insurance producer license, National Producer #
21 18285827.

22 2. The hearing scheduled in this matter, 17A-057-INS, for September 7, 2017 at
23 1:00 p.m. in front of Administrative Law Judge Dorinda Lang, is vacated.

1 DATED AND EFFECTIVE this 1ST day of September, 2017.

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4 Leslie R. Hess
Interim Director of Insurance

5 **CONSENT TO ORDER**

6 1. Respondent has reviewed the foregoing Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law
7 and Order.

8 2. Respondent admits the jurisdiction of the Director of Insurance, State of Arizona,
9 and admits the foregoing Findings of Fact and consents to the entry of the foregoing
10 Conclusions of Law and Order.

11 3. Respondent is aware of its right to notice and a hearing at which it may be
12 represented by counsel, present evidence and examine witnesses. Respondent irrevocably
13 waives its right to such notice and hearing and to any court appeals relating to this Consent
14 Order.

15 4. Respondent states that no promise of any kind or nature whatsoever, except as
16 expressly contained in this Consent Order, was made to it to induce it to enter into this
17 Consent Order and that it has entered into this Consent Order voluntarily.

18 5. Respondent acknowledges that the acceptance of this Consent Order by the
19 Director is solely to settle this matter against it and does not preclude any other agency,
20 including the Department, officer, or subdivision of this state or this agency from instituting civil
21 or criminal proceedings as may be appropriate now or in the future.

1 6. Respondent acknowledges that this Consent Order is an administrative action
2 the Department will report to the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC).
3 Respondent further acknowledges that it must report this administrative action to
4 any and all states in which it holds an insurance license and must disclose this administrative
5 action on any license application.

6 7. Degerald Antwan Gilkey represents that he is an officer of Safegroup LLC and,
7 as such, is authorized to enter into this Consent Order on its behalf.

8 Safegroup LLC (National Producer # 18285827)

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10 8/21/17
Date


_____ Degerald Antwan Gilkey, Officer

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13 COPIES of the foregoing mailed/delivered
this 6th day of September 2017, to:

14 Safegroup LLC
15 Degerald Antwan Gilkey
16 13954 W. Waddell Rd., Ste. 103-255
Surprise, AZ 85379
Respondent


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