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STATE OF ARIZONA

DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

In the Matter of:

No. 21A-008-INS

ARNOLD-CANEZ, MARISOL BERENICE (National Producer No. 10978161)

CONSENT ORDER

Respondent

The Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions ("Department") has received evidence that **Marisol Berenice Arnold-Canez** ("Respondent") violated provisions of Title 20, Arizona Revised Statutes ("A.R.S"). Respondent wishes to resolve this matter without the commencement of formal proceedings, and admit the following Finding of Fact are true, and consent to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent is, and was at all material times, licensed as an Arizona resident insurance producer with four lines of authority: Life, Accident and Health or Sickness, Property, and Casualty. Her license, number 10978161, was last renewed on November 1, 2019, and it is scheduled to expire on October 31, 2023.
- 2. Respondent's business address of record with the Department is 7011 North 57th Avenue, Suite J, Glendale, Arizona 85301. The mailing address on record is 9133 West Riverside Avenue, Tolleson, Arizona 85353-5556. Respondent's business e-mail address of record with the Department is marnold@state48insurancebrokerofaz.com.

Farmers Insurance Complaint

- 3. On or about July 24, 2020, Farmers ("Farmers") submitted a complaint to the Department. The complaint alleged that Respondent was terminated for cause after Farmers' internal investigation revealed that Respondent "intentionally manipulated insurance policies in order to provide customers with unwarranted policy premium discounts totaling an estimated \$166,088" between October 2017 and April 2020.
- 4. Farmers' complaint alleged that Respondent intentionally misrated approximately fifty (50) auto policies by changing the zip codes of the insureds' garaging address to more favorable zip codes. Two of the policies were for Respondent's personal vehicles with the garaging addresses at 2154 E Quail Run Rd., Kingman, AZ 86049.
- 5. According to Farmers' investigation file, Farmers interviewed Respondent by telephone on or about April 28, 2020, presenting her with two examples of such policies. When Farmers asked Respondent why her agency would input the wrong city and zip code for the garaging location, Respondent stated, "it must have been done by error in each case." Farmers then advised Respondent that 46 other policies showed the same pattern of incorrect zip codes being written as the garaging location zip code and asked for an explanation why so many would be found. Respondent stated, "those must also be mistakes." Respondent denied intentionally misrating any customer policies in order to lower their premium.
- 6. Following the interview, Respondent signed a written statement, dated April 28, 2020, where she states, "The 48 policies in question ... may all show issues with the garaging locations because mistakes could have been made by my agency inputting the information."

- 7. Respondent stated that two of her four personal vehicles have "a garaging location of 2154 E Quail Run Rd., Kingman, AZ 86049. This is a property owned by a family trust/estate (I am not exactly sure) which is through my husband's family." When asked about the policies, Respondent stated that the garaging location was a property owned by her husband's family trust, but declined to provide additional information on that topic.
- 8. Farmers conducted a property address search of 2154 E. Quail Run R., Kingman, AZ 86049 (the "Kingman Property") and found that John Farris and Norma Quinn were listed as the property owners since December 20, 2018. Prior to that date, the Kingman property was owned by Janice Sturgill from May 27, 1993 until 2018.
- Following Farmers' complaint the Department commenced an investigation in to this matter.
- 10. The Department was able to confirm that on or about April 2, 2019, Respondent electronically wrote and submitted her personal auto insurance policy that contained the Kingman property garaging addressed which was different than her residential/mailing address in Tolleson, AZ.
- 11. Respondent continued maintaining the Kingman property garaging address on her auto insurance policy even after policy renewal on April 2, 2020.
- 12. The Department confirmed with the current and former owners of the Kingman Property that they did not know who Respondent and her husband are.
- 13. On or about December 15, 2021, The Department conducted an in-person interview with Respondent and her attorney. During the interview, Respondent confirmed she wrote all fifty (50) auto policies. Respondent stated that neither she nor her husband is

associated with the property located in Kingman, AZ and that she mistakenly listed the Kingman address on the policy. Respondent stated that she learned about the incorrect garaging address on the auto policy in July 2020.

14. When asked why the specific Kingman Property address was used as her garaging address, she stated she may have copied the address down by mistake from her notepad or some other document at the time she was completing her policy.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

15. The Director of the Department ("Director") has jurisdiction over this matter.

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

- 16. Respondent's conduct, as described above, constitutes conduct in violation of A.R.S. § 20-295(A)(8).
- 17. Respondent's conduct, as described above, constitutes knowingly presenting, causing to be presented or preparing with the knowledge or belief that it will be presented, an oral or written statement, including computer generated documents, to an insurer that contains untrue statements of material fact or that fails to state any material fact with respect to the application for the issuance of an insurance policy, in violation of A.R.S. § 20-463(A)(1)(a).
- 18. Grounds exist for the Director to suspend for not more than twelve months or revoke Respondent's insurance producer license, pursuant to A.R.S. § 20-295(A).
- 19. Grounds exist, in addition to or instead of any suspension or revocation, for the Director to impose a civil penalty of not more than \$250.00 for each unintentional failure or

1	violation up to an aggregate civil penalty of \$2,500.00, or impose a civil penalty of not more
2	than \$2,500.00 for each intentional failure or violation, up to an aggregate civil penalty of
3	\$15,000.00, within the meaning of A.R.S. § 20-295(F).
4	ORDER
5	IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:
6	20. The insurance producer license of Marisol Berenice Arnold-Canez is
7	suspended for 180 calendar days, effective June 8, 2021 through December 5, 2021.
8	21. Marisol Berenice Arnold-Canez shall immediately pay a civil penalty of five
9	thousand dollars (\$5,000.00).
10	Effective this 8th day of June, 2021.
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12	Evan G. Daniels, Director
13	Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions
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CONSENT TO ORDER

- Respondent has reviewed the foregoing Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.
- 2. Respondent admits to the jurisdiction of the Director of the Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions and admits the foregoing Findings of Fact and consents to the entry of the foregoing Conclusions of Law and Order.
- 3. Respondent is aware of her right to notice and to a hearing, at which she may be represented by counsel, present evidence and examine witnesses.
- 4. Respondent irrevocably waives her right to such notice and hearing and to any court appeals relating to this Consent Order.
- 5. Respondent states that no promise of any kind or nature whatsoever, except as expressly contained in this Consent Order, was made to induce her to enter into this Consent Order and that she has entered into this Consent Order voluntarily.
- 6. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that the acceptance of this Consent Order by the Director is solely to settle this matter and does not preclude the Department from instituting other proceedings as may be appropriate now or in the future. Furthermore, and notwithstanding any language in this Consent Order, this Consent Order does not preclude in any way any other state agency or officer or political subdivision of this state from instituting proceedings, investigating claims, or taking legal action as may be appropriate now or in the future relating to this matter or other matters concerning Respondent, including but not limited to violations of Arizona's Consumer Fraud Act. Respondent acknowledges that, other than with respect to the Department, this Consent

Order makes no representations, implied or otherwise, about the views or intended actions of any other state agency or officer or political subdivision of the state relating to this matter or other matters concerning Respondent.

- 7. Respondent acknowledges that this Consent Order is an administrative action that the Department will report to the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC). Respondent further acknowledge that she must report this administrative action to any and all states in which she holds an insurance license and must disclose this administrative action on any license application.
- 8. Respondent waives all rights to seek an administrative or judicial review or otherwise to challenge or contest the validity of this Consent Order and its accompanying parts before any court of competent jurisdiction.

Jun 8, 2021

Date

Marisol Arnold
Marisol Berenice Arnold-Canez
(NPN License No. 10978161)

1	COPY of the foregoing delivered by E-mail
2	this <u>9th</u> day of <u>June</u> ,2021, to:
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Our mission is to help Arizonans receive the benefits and protections to which they are legally entitled by enforcing insuance and financialinstution laws and by providing information and assistance; and, to combat vehicle theft.

Date:	06/08/2021
Receipt #:	0083593

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: License Number: 10978161 MARISOL BERENICE ARNOLD- CANEZ

Payor/Licensee Name:

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