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DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

In the Matter of:

BRENT IRVING ALLEN DBA AMRISK INSURANCE SERVICES

(National Producer Number 56626)

Respondent.

No. 25A- 024 -INS

CONSENT ORDER

The Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions ("Department") received evidence that Brent Irving Allen dba Amrisk Insurance Services ("Mr. Allen" or "Respondent") violated provisions of Arizona Revised Statutes ("A.R.S.") Title 20. Respondent wishes to resolve this matter without the commencement of formal proceedings, and admits the following Findings of Fact are true, and consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent currently holds two (2) types of Arizona resident licenses under the national producer license number 56626, an insurance producer license with lines of authority in casualty, accident and health or sickness, property, and life insurance, and a surplus lines broker license. The Department first issued a license to Respondent on June 14, 1971. Respondent's license is scheduled to expire on June 30, 2026.
- 2. Respondent's addresses of record with the Department are 11111 North Scottdale Road, Suite 205J, Scottsdale, Arizona 85254-6732 (business); PO BOX 6230,

Scottsdale, Arizona 85261-6230 (mailing); <u>ballen@amriskusa.com</u> and brent.allen@eqgroup.com (email).

- 3. Brent Irving Allen dba Amrisk Insurance Services ("Mr. Allen") is a designated responsible individual for Allen Financial Insurance Group Inc ("Allen Financial"), National Producer Number 3358150.
- 4. During January and February 2025, the Department received multiple complaints against Respondent and Allen Financial alleging issues including failure to respond to consumers' inquiries and requests, failure to cancel policies upon consumers' request, failure to refund premium payments, and failure to remit premium payments to the insurer.
- 5. On or about February 14, 2025, the Department received a Notice of Allen Financial Insurance Group, Inc. Deficiencies and Affected Carriers and Potential Placement into Receivership from Allen Financial's attorney stating, in part, that Allen Financial, due to a perpetual embezzlement committed by a longtime bookkeeper, lost at an average rate of \$150,000 to \$200,000 per year in company funds, for an approximate loss totaling \$1.1 million, after Allen Financial was able to recover approximately \$100,000 from the bookkeeper's family. Further, following the discovery of the embezzlement, Allen Financial lost approximately 50% of its business when a partnership program was terminated and Allen Financial was unable to renew the affected policies with similar commission rates. The Notice further stated that Allen Financial was exposed to an approximate \$300,000 to \$500,000 financial deficiency.

- 6. On February 18, 2025, the Department requested Respondent's response to the complaints' allegations.
- 7. On the same date, February 18, 2025, the Department conducted a telephonic interview with Allen Financial's attorney. During the call, Allen Financial's attorney revealed the following, in part:
 - In 2023, Allen Financial's largest affiliate company was acquired by Berkshire Hathaway. Following this acquisition, Berkshire Hathaway lowered the commission rates for the policies written by Allen Financial from 30% to 10% and subsequently declined renewal of all surplus lines contracts.
 - Berkshire Hathaway's actions caused Allen Financial to lose its largest revenue stream and suffer considerable financial difficulty.
 - Allen Financial began to pay employees using funds paid by policyholders and held in the premium trust account. The trust account was depleted. All but one or two employees resigned. The staffing issues caused delays or non-response to consumers' inquiries.
- 8. On March 6, 2025, the Department issued an Order to Suspend and Cease and Desist against Allen Financial and Respondent suspending Allen Financial's and Respondent's Arizona resident insurance producer licenses and demanding, in part, they immediately cease and desist from effectuating new or renewal contracts of insurance and the collection of insurance premiums in Arizona.

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10. The sale of Allen Financial's book of business is anticipated to occur in June 2025.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 11. Respondent's conduct, as alleged above, constitutes violating any provision of this title or any rule, subpoena or order of the Director. A.R.S. § 20-295(A)(2).
- 12. "Designated producer" means the individual insurance producer that a business entity designates pursuant to section 20-285, subsection C, paragraph 3 as the individual responsible for the business entity's compliance with the insurance laws of this state. A.R.S. § 20-281(2).
- 13. Respondent's conduct. as alleged above, constitutes demonstrating incompetence or financial irresponsibility in the conduct of business in this state or elsewhere. A.R.S. § 20-295(A)(8).
- 14. Grounds exist for the Director to deny, suspend for not more than twelve months, revoke or refuse to renew an insurance producer's license or may impose a civil penalty in accordance with subsection F of A.R.S. § 20-295 or any combination of actions for any one or more of the causes listed in subsection A of A.R.S. § 20-295. A.R.S. § 20-295(A).

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1	ORDER
2	IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:
3	1. Brent Irving Allen dba Amrisk Insurance Services Allen Financial Arizona
4	resident insurance producer license, National Producer Number 56626, is revoked effective
5	immediately.
6	Effective this 16th day of june, 2025.
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8	Maria Ailor, Interim Director Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions
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CONSENT TO ORDER

- 1. Respondent acknowledges that he has been served with a copy of the foregoing Consent Order in the above-referenced matter, has read it, is aware of his right to an administrative hearing in this matter and has knowingly and voluntarily waived that right.
- 2. Respondent accepts the personal and subject matter jurisdiction of the Department over him in this matter.
- 3. Respondent acknowledges that no promise of any kind or nature has been made to induce them to sign the Consent to Order and he has done so knowingly and voluntarily.
- 4. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that the acceptance of this Consent to 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.

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5.	Respondent	waives al	ll rights	to seek a	ın admini	strative o	or judicial	review or
otherwise to	challenge or	contest th	he validi	ty of this	Consent	Order an	nd its acco	ompanying
parts before a	any court of c	ompetent	jurisdict	ion.				

6.	Respondent acknowledges that this Consent Order is an administrative action
that the I	Department will report to the National Association of Insurance Commissioners
(NAIC).	Respondent further acknowledges that he must report this administrative action to
any and a	all states in which Respondent holds an insurance license and must disclose this
administra	ative action on any license application.

June 14, 2025

Brent Irving Allen dba

Amrisk Insurance Services

(National Producer Number 56626)

1	COPY of the foregoing delivered by E-mail this 16th day of June, 2025, to:
2	Don't India Allendha
3	Brent Irving Allen dba Amrisk Insurance Services Attn: Michelle Giordano
4	MGiordano@maypotenza.com
5	Respondent
6	COPY of the foregoing delivered/emailed same date, to:
	Deian Ousounov, Chief Deputy Director of Finance
7	Allena Caravetta, Regulatory Legal Affairs Officer Rachel Smith, Insurance Analyst
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