

BEFORE THE DIVISION OF INSURANCE
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND REGULATION
STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF
GARRETT JOHNSON

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CONSENT ORDER

In resolution of the above matter and in lieu of issuance of a Notice of Hearing and a formal hearing, the undersigned parties do hereby agree to the following:

GARRETT JOHNSON, whose address of record is 5050 Quorum Dr., STE 450, Dallas, TX 75254-7564, is a renewal applicant for a nonresident producer license in the State of South Dakota;

GARRETT JOHNSON is aware the South Dakota Division of Insurance (“Division”) has conducted an investigation;

The Division alleges the following with regard to GARRETT JOHNSON:

- 1) GARRETT JOHNSON was the subject of an administrative action in the state of Pennsylvania on December 13, 2019, where GARRETT JOHNSON admitted or had been found to have committed an insurance unfair trade practice, in violation of SDCL § 58-30-167(7) & (8);
- 2) GARRETT JOHNSON failed to timely report the administrative action to the Division, in violation of SDCL § 58-30-193;
- 3) GARRETT JOHNSON submitted a nonresident insurance producer renewal application on April 14, 2020;
- 4) GARRETT JOHNSON erroneously answered “No” to the application question regarding administrative actions, in violation of SDCL § 58-30-167(1) & (8);
- 5) Pursuant to SDCL §§ 58-30-167(1), (2), (7), & (8), and 58-30-193 the Director of Division may deny GARRETT JOHNSON’s renewal application for any of the above-cited reasons

GARRETT JOHNSON is aware of and understands the nature of the allegations and has been informed that he has the right to a Notice of Hearing, counsel and appeal and that by agreeing to sign this Consent Order, waives these rights;

In return for GARRETT JOHNSON agreeing to and complying with the provisions of this Consent Order, the Division agrees not to proceed with the denial of GARRETT JOHNSON’s renewal application and subsequent administrative hearing and agrees that this Consent Order will constitute an informal and complete disposition of this licensing matter and the prior period of non-registration pursuant to SDCL § 1-26-20;

GARRETT JOHNSON agrees to pay \$2,000 pursuant to SDCL §§ 58-30-167, 58-30-193, and 58-4-28.1, in lieu of an application denial, administrative hearing, and Final Decision;

GARRETT JOHNSON further agrees to conduct himself in accordance with the insurance laws and regulations of the State of South Dakota;

GARRETT JOHNSON further agrees that this Consent Order may be considered for the purpose of determining the appropriate sanction in any future actions with the Division for any violations of the laws or regulations of the State of South Dakota or for failing to abide by any order of the Director;

GARRETT JOHNSON waives his right to contest the allegations contained in this Consent Order in any future actions or licensing procedures;

Wherefore, good cause appearing from the foregoing, it is hereby ORDERED that GARRETT JOHNSON pay a monetary penalty in the amount of \$2,000 payable to "South Dakota Division of Insurance" for deposit in the general fund of the State of South Dakota; and it is further

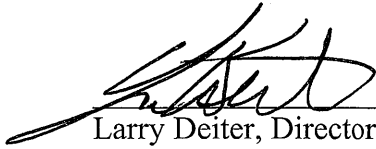
ORDERED that GARRETT JOHNSON abide by the agreements made by him in this Consent Order; and it is further

ORDERED that the nonresident insurance producer renewal application from GARRETT JOHNSON as amended to date is approved for licensure as of the effective date of this Consent Order; and it is further

ORDERED that the use of this Consent Order for competitive purposes by an insurance agent or third-party administrator holding a license in the State of South Dakota, or by any company holding a Certificate of Authority, or by anyone on their behalf, may be deemed unfair competition and be grounds for suspension or revocation of said license or authority; and it is further

ORDERED that the provisions of this Consent Order shall be effective from the date the Director signs this Order.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota this 12th day of October, 2021.

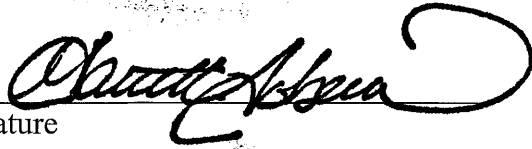


Larry Deiter, Director
South Dakota Division of Insurance

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I have read and understand the terms of this Consent Order and the waiver of my due process rights and voluntarily enter into this Consent Order.

Dated this 1st day of October, 2021.



Signature

Garrett Johnson

Printed Name