

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

In the Matter of)	
)	CONSENT ORDER
Jerome David Dennis,)	
NPN 7995611,)	CASE NO. AG-17-747
)	
Respondent.)	

TO: Jerome David Dennis, 1009 Sunrise LN, Belle Plaine, MN 56011-3110

Insurance Commissioner Jon Godfread (“Commissioner”) has determined as follows:

1. As a result of information obtained by the North Dakota Insurance Department (“Department”) regarding the conduct of Jerome David Dennis, NPN 7995611 (“Respondent”), the Commissioner has considered scheduling a formal hearing to determine whether Respondent’s conduct as alleged constitutes a basis for imposition of a civil penalty or any other action the Commissioner deems necessary. As more fully described below, Respondent’s conduct is alleged to be in violation of N.D.C.C. §§ 26.1-26-15 and 26.1-26-42.

2. N.D.C.C. § 26.1-26-42 states, in part:

26.1-26-42. License suspension, revocation, or refusal – Grounds. The commissioner may suspend, revoke, place on probation, or refuse to continue or refuse to issue any license issued under this chapter if, after notice to the licensee and hearing, the commissioner finds as to the licensee any of the following conditions:

4. Any cause for which issuance of the license could have been refused had it then existed and been known to the commissioner at the time of issuance.

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6. In the conduct of affairs under the license, the licensee has used fraudulent, coercive, or dishonest practices, or has shown oneself to be incompetent, untrustworthy, or financially irresponsible.

3. Respondent has been licensed as a nonresident insurance producer in North Dakota since April 27, 2015.

4. On or about August 14, 2017, Respondent submitted an application to renew his nonresident insurance producer license in North Dakota. Respondent answered "yes" to background question relating to being convicted of a misdemeanor. A background investigation revealed that on or about January 21, 2016, Respondent responded to an advertisement for adult services, was arrested and charged with felony prostitution (hire reasonably believes to be under 18 years old).

5. On January 23, 2017, Respondent was convicted of gross misdemeanor – prostitution.

6. On September 18, 2017, Respondent was advised his license was being renewed but was still under investigation and the renewal would not release him from the results of any pending or future investigation including orders of revocation or suspension, fines or other penalties.

7. Respondent's actions constitute violations of N.D.C.C. §§ 26.1-26-15 and 26.1-26-42.

8. Respondent acknowledges that at the time of signing the Consent to Entry of Order, he was aware of or had been advised of the right to a hearing in this matter, to consult an attorney, to present argument to the Commissioner, to appeal from any adverse determination after a hearing, and Respondent expressly waives those rights.

9. Respondent has agreed to informal disposition of this matter, without a hearing, as provided under N.D.C.C. § 28-32-22.

10. For purposes of resolving this matter without further administrative proceedings, Respondent has agreed to enter into the following order.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. Respondent's nonresident insurance producer license is hereby **REVOKED** effective upon the Commissioner's execution of this Order.
2. No administrative fine or other civil penalty is imposed.
3. The use of this Consent Order for competitive purposes by an insurance producer or agency holding a license in the State of North 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.

DATED at Bismarck, North Dakota, this 27th day of December, 2017.



Jon Godfread
Insurance Commissioner
State of North Dakota

CONSENT TO ENTRY OF ORDER

The undersigned, **Jerome David Dennis**, states that he has read the foregoing Consent Order, that he knows and fully understands its contents and effect; that he has been advised of the right to a hearing in this matter, the right to be represented by legal counsel, the right to present evidence and arguments to the Commissioner, and the right to appeal from an adverse determination after hearing; and that by the signing of this Consent to Entry of Order he waives those rights in their entirety, and consents to entry of this Order by the Commissioner. It is further expressly understood that this Order constitutes the entire settlement agreement between the parties, there being no other promises or agreements, either expressed or implied.

DATED this 18th day of Dec, 2017.

Jerome D. Dennis

Jerome David Dennis

County of RAMSEY

State of MINNESOTA

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18 day of DECEMBER, 2017.

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Notary Public

My commission expires: JAN 31, 2022

