

**BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI INSURANCE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**

**IN RE: MICHAEL D. MATTHEWS
Independent Adjuster License No. 10139398**

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

THIS MATTER came on for hearing before the Commissioner of Insurance of the State of Mississippi (hereinafter “Commissioner”), by and through his specially designated appointee, the Hon. Brandon White (hereinafter “Hearing Officer”), in the Office of the Commissioner, 10th Floor, Woolfolk State Office Building, 501 North West Street, Jackson, MS 39205, on Wednesday, May 1, 2013, at 9:00 a.m., pursuant to a Notice of Hearing and Statement of Charges brought against MICHAEL D. MATTHEWS (“Respondent”) dated March 20, 2013. Respondent was properly served with and received notice of the hearing, however, Respondent did not appear at the hearing and the hearing was had in the absence of Respondent. The Commissioner, based on the evidence presented at the hearing, makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

1. The Respondent was the subject of a Final Decision and Order entered by the Insurance Department of the State of Delaware, dated November 13, 2012, through which his Delaware Producer License was revoked, and a fine was imposed in the amount of \$500.00.
2. The Respondent is required by the provisions of Miss. Code § 83-17-81(1) (Supp. 2012) to report to the Mississippi Commissioner of Insurance “any administrative action taken against the producer in another jurisdiction . . . within thirty (30) days of the final disposition of the matter. This report shall include a copy of the initial complaint filed, the order resulting from the hearing and any other relevant legal documents.”

3. The Respondent failed to notify the Office of the Mississippi Commissioner of Insurance of the administrative action taken against him by the State of Delaware within the time allowed by law. Consequently, the Respondent has violated the provisions of Miss. Code § 83-17-81(1) (Supp. 2012), and is subject to sanctions as provided in Miss. Code § 83-17-71 (Supp. 2012).

4. The Respondents current Independent Adjuster License with the State of Mississippi expires on May 31, 2013.

ORDER

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:


1. That Respondent, Michael D. Matthews, is hereby assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$250.00 pursuant to the provisions of Miss. Code §83-17-71 (Supp. 2012).

2. That the Respondent's Independent Adjuster License No. 10139398, or any other privilege license through the Office of the Mississippi Insurance Commissioner, shall not be issued or renewed unless and until the fine imposed herein has been paid in full.

SO ORDERED, this the 1st day of May, 2013.


MIKE CHANEY
COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

Recommended by:


Brandon White
Hearing Officer