

STATE OF INDIANA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF MARION)

BEFORE THE INDIANA
COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

CAUSE NO.: 23584-AG24-1106-158

IN THE MATTER OF:)
)
Nicholas James Sturbin)
1026 Brayton Park Place)
Utica, NY 13502)
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Respondent.)
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Type of Agency Action: Enforcement)
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License Number: 3441429)

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FINAL ORDER

The Enforcement Division of the Indiana Department of Insurance (“Department”), by counsel, Joseph Bossinger, and Nicholas James Sturbin (“Respondent”), a licensed nonresident insurance producer, signed an Agreed Entry which purports to resolve all issues involved in the above-captioned cause number, and which has been submitted to the Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Insurance (“Commissioner”) for approval.

The Commissioner, after reviewing the Agreed Entry, under which Respondent consents to the Department’s revocation of Respondent’s nonresident producer license and agrees to not apply for producer licensure for a period of three (3) years, due to Respondent using Respondent’s personal information to generate favorable credit-based insurance scores and then using those scores in insurance applications for consumers on nine (9) occasions, finds it has been entered into fairly and without fraud, duress or undue influence, and is fair and equitable between the parties. The Commissioner hereby incorporates the Agreed Entry attached, as if fully set forth herein, and approves and adopts in full the Agreed Entry as a resolution of this matter.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Commissioner as follows:

1. Respondent's nonresident producer license number 3441429 is revoked.
2. Respondent shall not apply for an insurance producer license for a minimum of three (3) years, beginning the date the Commissioner signs this Final Order.

12-19-24
Date Signed

Holly W. Lambert
Holly W. Lambert, Commissioner
Indiana Department of Insurance

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AGREED ENTRY

This Agreed Entry is executed by and between the Enforcement Division of the Indiana Department of Insurance (“Department”), by counsel, Joseph Bossinger, and Nicholas James Sturbin (“Respondent”), to resolve all issues in the above-captioned cause number. This Agreed Entry is subject to the review and approval of Holly W. Lambert, Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Insurance (“Commissioner”).

WHEREAS, Respondent is a licensed nonresident insurance producer, holding license number 3441429 since May 21, 2019;

WHEREAS, Respondent’s license is scheduled to expire April 30, 2026;

WHEREAS, on or about July 17, 2024, Respondent was terminated for cause by Farmers Insurance due to Respondent using Respondent’s personal information to generate favorable credit-based insurance scores and then using those scores in insurance applications for consumers on nine (9) occasions;

WHEREAS, Indiana Code § 27-1-15.6-12(b)(5) states, in part, the Commissioner may revoke an insurance producer's license for a period of years for intentionally misrepresenting the terms of an actual or proposed insurance contract or application for insurance;

WHEREAS, Indiana Code § 27-1-15.6-12(b)(8) states, in part, the Commissioner may revoke an insurance producer's license for a period of years for using fraudulent, coercive, dishonest practices, or demonstrating incompetence, untrustworthiness, or financial irresponsibility in the conduct of business in Indiana or elsewhere; and

WHEREAS, the Department and Respondent (collectively, the "Parties") desire to resolve this matter without the necessity of a hearing.

IT IS, THEREFORE, NOW AGREED by and between the Parties as follows:

1. The Commissioner has jurisdiction over the subject matter and the Parties to this Agreed Entry.
2. In order to avoid formal litigation in this matter, Respondent has determined that it is in Respondent's best interests to enter into this Agreed Entry. As such, Respondent acknowledges that Respondent executes this Agreed Entry with full realization of its contents and effects.
3. This Agreed Entry is executed knowingly, voluntarily, and freely by the Parties. The Parties agree that the terms of this Agreed Entry constitute final resolution of this matter.
4. Respondent knowingly, voluntarily and freely waives the right to a public hearing on this matter, including the right to appear in person before the Commissioner, present evidence, cross-examine witnesses, and present arguments.

5. Respondent knowingly, voluntarily and freely waives the right to judicial review of this matter or otherwise appeal or challenge the validity of this Agreed Entry.
6. Respondent knowingly, voluntarily, and freely waives, releases, and forever discharges all claims or challenges, known or unknown, against the Department, its Commissioner, employees, agents, and representatives, in their individual and official capacities, that arise out of or are related to the Agreed Entry or Final Order, including but not limited to any act or omission as part of the underlying audit, investigation, negotiation, or approval process.
7. Respondent consents to the Department's revocation of Respondent's nonresident producer license number 3441429 and agrees to not apply for producer licensure for a period of three (3) years, beginning the date the Commissioner signs the Final Order accepting this Agreed Entry.
8. Respondent has carefully read and examined this Agreed Entry and fully understands its terms.
9. Respondent has had the opportunity to have this Agreed Entry reviewed by legal counsel of Respondent's choosing, at Respondent's own expense, and is aware of the benefits gained and obligations incurred by the execution of this Agreed Entry. Respondent understands and agrees that the Department cannot give Respondent legal advice.
10. Respondent has entered into this Agreed Entry knowingly, voluntarily, and freely, and has not been subject to duress, coercion, threat, or undue influence.
11. This Agreed Entry constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties, and no other promises or agreements, express or implied, have been made by the

Department or by any employee, director, agent or other representative thereof to induce Respondent to enter this Agreed Entry.

12. The Department agrees to accept Respondent's compliance with the terms of this Agreed Entry as full satisfaction of this matter and warrants and represents that so long as Respondent complies with the terms of this Agreed Entry, the Department will not bring any further action against Respondent based on the facts that gave rise to this Agreed Entry.
13. In the event the Department finds there has been a breach of any of the provisions of this Agreed Entry, the Department may reopen this matter and pursue alternative action pursuant to Indiana Code § 27-1-15.6-12.
14. Respondent waives any applicable statute of limitations for purposes of any enforcement of the terms and conditions of this Agreed Entry.
15. Respondent acknowledges that this Agreed Entry may be admitted into evidence in any judicial or administrative proceeding against Respondent to enforce the terms and conditions contained herein.
16. Respondent understands that this Agreed Entry resolves only the matter pending with the Department and does not affect any criminal prosecution or civil litigation that may be pending or hereinafter commence against Respondent.
17. This Agreed Entry does not in any way affect the Department's authority in future audits, investigations, examinations, negotiations, or other complaints involving Respondent.

18. It is expressly understood that this Agreed Entry is subject to the Commissioner's acceptance and has no force or effect until such acceptance is evidenced by the entry of a Final Order by the Commissioner.
19. Should this Agreed Entry not be accepted by the Commissioner, it is agreed that presentation to, and consideration of this Agreed Entry by the Commissioner, shall not unfairly or illegally prejudice the Commissioner or Respondent from further participation in or resolution of these proceedings.
20. If this Agreed Entry is accepted by the Commissioner, it will become part of Respondent's permanent record and may be considered in future actions brought by the Department or any other regulator against Respondent. It is further understood that, if accepted by the Commissioner, this Agreed Entry and resulting Final Order are public records pursuant to Indiana Code § 4-21.5-3-32 that may not be sealed or otherwise withheld from the public and may be reported to the National Association of Insurance Commissioners and published on the Department's website as required.
21. Respondent acknowledges that this is an Administrative Action which Respondent may be required to report to other jurisdictions in which Respondent is licensed and on future licensing applications.

12/16/2024
Date Signed

12/05/2024
Date Signed

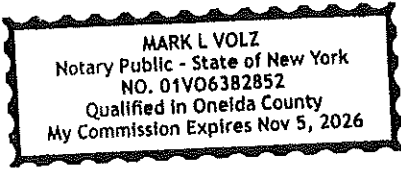
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Indiana Department of Insurance

Nicholas Sturbin
Nicholas Sturbin, Respondent

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) SS:
COUNTY OF Oneida)

Before me a Notary Public for Oneida County, State of New York,
personally appeared Nicholas Sturbin and being first duly sworn by me upon his oath, says that
the facts alleged in the foregoing instrument are true.

Signed and sealed this 5 day of December, 2024.



Mark L. Volz
Notary Signature

Mark L. Volz
Notary Printed

My Commission expires: 11-5-2026

County of Residence: Oneida