

**BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER  
FOR THE STATE OF ARKANSAS**

**ARKANSAS INSURANCE DEPARTMENT,** )  
**Petitioner** )  
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**vs.** )  
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**KARLA GRIMES,** )  
**Respondent** )  
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**A.I.D. NO. 2011- 0 2 1**

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**REVOCATION ORDER**

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On this day, the matter of Karla Grimes (“Respondent”) came before Jay Bradford, Arkansas Insurance Commissioner (“Commissioner”). The Arkansas Insurance Department (“Department”) is represented by Amanda Capps Rose, Associate Counsel, in this matter. From the facts and law before the Commissioner, he finds as follows:

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. The Commissioner has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 23-61-103.
2. Respondent is licensed to write life, accident, health and sickness, casualty, surety, marine and property insurance. Respondent holds Arkansas Resident Producer License No. 30267, which is currently suspended pursuant to A.I.D. Order No. 2011-012.
3. Respondent’s last known address is 320 North Rosser, Forrest City, Arkansas 72335.
4. The Department’s Criminal Investigation Division received a Uniform Suspected Insurance Fraud Reporting Form from Paul LaRose on behalf of Shelter Mutual Insurance Company, alleging that the Respondent had committed fraud in her capacity as a producer.

5. Shelter Mutual Insurance Company has alleged that the Respondent forged the signatures of multiple insureds on premium refund checks and converted the funds to her own personal use.

6. Respondent failed to appear at an Investigative Conference on January 20, 2011. Due to errors in the notice, a "Final Notice of Investigative Conference" was mailed to the Respondent on January 27, 2011.

7. Respondent failed to appear at the February 10, 2011 Investigative Conference and made no contact with the Department regarding the conference.

8. Following the entry of A.I.D. Order No. 2011-012, an administrative hearing was scheduled pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 23-64-216(e) to be held on March 17, 2011.

9. Respondent failed to appear at the administrative hearing.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

From the Findings of Fact contained herein, the Commissioner concludes as follows:

10. The Commissioner may summarily suspend producer's license pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 23-64-216(e), pending an administrative hearing.

11. Respondent's failure to appear at the administrative hearing after being sent timely notice is grounds for revocation pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 23-64-512(a)(16) and (17).

#### **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

Based upon the allegations made by Shelter Mutual Insurance Company and the Respondent's failure to cooperate with the Department's investigation, Arkansas Resident Producer License No. 30267 should be and hereby is immediately revoked.

**IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 28<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2011.**

  
LENITA BLASINGAME  
CHIEF DEPUTY COMMISSIONER