

BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER
FOR THE STATE OF ARKANSAS

ARKANSAS INSURANCE DEPARTMENT)
PETITIONER)
vs.)
)
RUSTY PHILLIPS)
RESPONDENT)
NPN 20171499)

A.I.D. NO. 2023- 37

SUSPENSION ORDER

On this day, the matter of Rusty Phillips (“Respondent”) came before Alan McClain, Arkansas Insurance Commissioner (“Commissioner”). The Arkansas Insurance Department (“Department”) was represented by Gray Allen Turner, Associate Counsel, in this matter. From the facts and law before the Commissioner, he finds and concludes as follows:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent holds an Arkansas resident insurance producer license, National Producer Number 20171499, and his last known address is in Paragould.
2. On March 15, 2023, the Department received notice from the Arkansas Office of Child Support Enforcement that the Respondent is three (3) or more months in arrearage on his child support obligations.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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

1. The Commissioner has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 23-61-103.

2. The Commissioner is required to suspend a Respondent's producer license pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 9-14-239(d) upon notice from the Office of Child Support Enforcement that a licensee is three (3) or more months in arrears on a child support obligation.

3. Under the provisions of Ark. Code Ann. § 23-64-512(a)(14), the failure to comply with an order imposing a child support obligation is grounds for suspension or revocation of a producer's license. For the reasons stated above, Respondent's actions are a violation of § 23-64-512(a)(14).

4. For the public health, safety, and welfare of the people of this State, the Commissioner concludes that the Respondent's Arkansas resident insurance producer license No. 20171499 is immediately and summarily suspended pending an administrative hearing pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 23-64-216(e). A Notice of Hearing will be sent to the Respondent simultaneously with a copy of this Order.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

Respondent's Arkansas resident insurance producer license No. 20171499 is hereby SUSPENDED. Respondent shall not, during the term of this suspension, conduct the business of insurance in the State of Arkansas. This Order shall be rescinded upon proof from the Office of Child Support Enforcement that the Respondent is in full compliance with his obligations under any child support order.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 11th day of April, 2023.



ALAN MCCLAIN
INSURANCE COMMISSIONER
STATE OF ARKANSAS