

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

**ARKANSAS INSURANCE DEPARTMENT,** )  
**Petitioner** )  
 )  
**vs.** )  
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**JOHN WARD** )  
**Respondent** )  
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**A.I.D. NO. 2014- 115**

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**EMERGENCY SUSPENSION ORDER**

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On this day, the emergency matter of John Ward (“Respondent”) came before Jay Bradford, Arkansas Insurance Commissioner (“Commissioner”). The Arkansas Insurance Department (“Department”) was represented by Ava Franks, Associate Counsel, in this matter. From the facts and law before the Commissioner, he finds as follows:

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Respondent holds Arkansas Resident Producer License No. 67621 and resides in Jonesboro, Arkansas.
2. On or about May 2, 2014, Department Criminal Investigator Sam Green received an electronic mail regarding a consumer’s policies being paid for but never issued.
3. During the course of Mr. Green’s investigation, he received information that Respondent has allegedly received cash payments for policies but not remitted payments to the insurance company.
4. On May 13, 2014, Mr. Green executed a search warrant on Respondent’s business.
5. Evidence suggests that numerous consumers have been harmed by Respondent’s

actions.

### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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

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

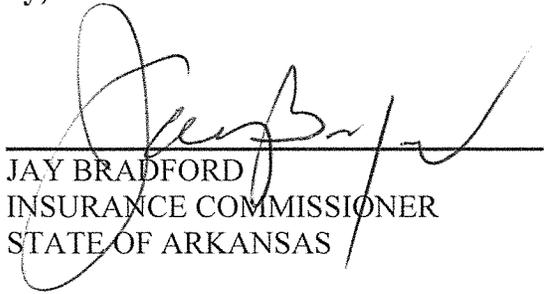
7. The Commissioner has the authority to issue an emergency license suspension pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. §§ 23-64-216(e) and 25-15-211(c).

8. For the public health, safety, and welfare of the people of this State, the Commissioner concludes that the Respondent's Arkansas Resident Producer License No. 67621 is immediately and summarily suspended pending an administrative hearing pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 23-64-216(e).

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that:

Respondent's Arkansas Resident Producer License No. 67621 is hereby SUSPENDED. Respondent shall not, during the term of this suspension, conduct the business of insurance in the State of Arkansas, including contacting consumers. This Order shall be rescinded upon the hearing, which is scheduled June 19, 2014. Should this hearing be postponed, the Order shall remain in place until the hearing.

**IT IS SO ORDERED THIS** 19<sup>th</sup> **day of May, 2014.**

  
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JAY BRADFORD  
INSURANCE COMMISSIONER  
STATE OF ARKANSAS