

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

ARKANSAS INSURANCE DEPARTMENT)
Petitioner)
)
vs.)
)
RYAN J. MERRITT)
Respondent)
)

A.I.D. NO. 2014- 224

CONSENT PROBATION ORDER

On this day, the matter of Ryan J. Merritt (“Respondent”) comes before Jay Bradford, Arkansas Insurance Commissioner (“Commissioner”). The Arkansas Insurance Department (“Department”) is represented by Ava Franks, Associate Counsel, in this matter.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent holds Arkansas Resident Producer License No. 386605.
2. On or about January 14, 2014, the Department Consumer Services Division attempted to contact Respondent and received no response.
3. On or about February 20, 2014, the Department set an Investigative Conference for March 12, 2014 regarding non-responsiveness.
4. Respondent did not appear for the Investigative Conference.
5. The Department scheduled a hearing for June 4, 2014.
6. Respondent did not appear for the hearing.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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

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

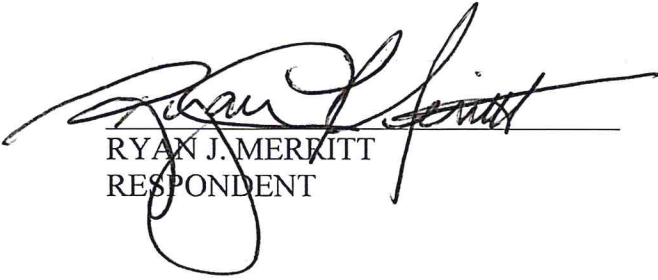
8. The Commissioner may place a licensee on probation for failure to provide a written response after receipt of a written inquiry from the commissioner or his or her representative as to transactions under the license within thirty (30) days after the receipt thereof. Ark. Code Ann. § 23-64-512(a)(13).

9. The Commissioner may place a licensee on probation for failing to cooperate with the Commissioner in an investigation when required by the Commissioner. Ark. Code Ann. §23-64-512(a)(17).

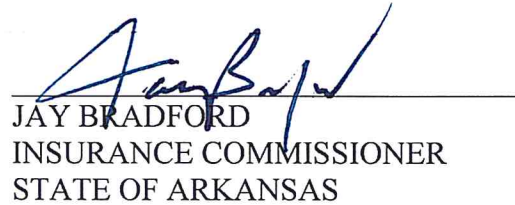
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

In consideration of the above findings and conclusions, it is agreed that Respondent's Arkansas Resident Producer License No. 386605 is voluntarily placed on probation for a period of twelve (12) months.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 14th day of July, 2014.



RYAN J. MERRITT
RESPONDENT



JAY BRADFORD
INSURANCE COMMISSIONER
STATE OF ARKANSAS