# BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER FOR THE STATE OF ARKANSAS

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STEPHEN WILLIAMS APPELLANT	)	A.I.D. NO. 2015- 058	
VS.	)		
ARKANSAS INSURANCE DEPARTMENT	)		

On this day, the matter of Stephen Williams ("Appellant") came before Allen Kerr, Arkansas Insurance Commissioner ("Commissioner"). The Arkansas Insurance Department ("Department") was represented by Gray Allen Turner, Associate Counsel. A hearing was held on April 21, 2015, at 9:00 a.m., in the Hearing Room of the Arkansas Insurance Department pursuant to Appellant's request for an administrative hearing to appeal the Department's denial of his application for an Arkansas Producer's License. The hearing was held before the Chief Deputy Commissioner, Lenita Blasingame ("Hearing Officer"), pursuant to her appointment by the Commissioner in accordance with Arkansas Code Ann. §23-61-103. From the facts and law before him, the Commissioner finds

### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Appellant is a resident of Hot Springs, Arkansas, and is a Finance Manager.
  - 2. Appellant properly filed an Arkansas Resident Producer application.
- 3. On November 5, 2008, Appellant was convicted of four counts of Ark. Code Ann. § 5-1-105, Negligent Homicide, a Class C felony. Appellant was

sentenced to 384 months incarceration and was released on parole in October of 2013.

4. Following a written request for an administrative hearing, the Department held a hearing on April 21, 2015, and Appellant appeared for the hearing.

#### 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. Under the provisions of Ark. Code Ann. §23-64-512(6), the Commissioner may refuse to issue an insurance producer's license for having been convicted of a felony.

#### RECOMMENDATION OF THE HEARING OFFICER

WHEREFORE, based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and other matters before her, the Hearing Officer recommends:

- 1. The Department's denial of the Appellant's application for Producer License be reversed in part.
- 2. The Appellant shall be allowed a credit life and credit disability license, only.
  - 3. The Appellant shall be on probation for a period of one year.

4. Any request by the Appellant for additional lines of authority shall require specific written approval from the Department.

LENITA BLASINGAME
CHIEF DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

AND HEARING OFFICER

## **CERTIFICATION**

I, Allen Kerr, Insurance Commissioner for the State of Arkansas, do hereby certify that the above Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommendations of the Hearing Officer were made by and under my authority and supervision by Lenita Blasingame, Chief Deputy Commissioner and Hearing Officer in this proceeding. I hereby adopt the Hearing Officer's Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommendation in full and enter this Order.

THEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED that:

- 1. Appellant is hereby granted a license to sell credit life and credit disability insurance.
  - 2. Appellant shall be on probation for a period of one year.
- 3. Any request by the Appellant for additional lines of authority shall require specific written approval from the Department.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 15 day of Quee, 2015.

ALLEN KERR

INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

STATE OF ARKANSAS