

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

ARKANSAS INSURANCE DEPARTMENT,)
Petitioner)
)
vs.)
)
KARLA GRIMES,)
Respondent)
)

A.I.D. NO. 2011- 012

EMERGENCY SUSPENSION ORDER

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.
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 The public health, safety and welfare imperatively require emergency action.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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

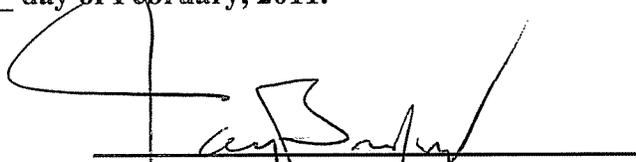
9. Failure to cooperate with an investigation is grounds for suspension of a producer license pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. §23-64-512(a)(17)

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

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 suspended.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 23rd **day of February, 2011.**



JAY BRADFORD
INSURANCE COMMISSIONER
STATE OF ARKANSAS