

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

ARKANSAS INSURANCE DEPARTMENT,)
Petitioner)
)
vs.)
)
MICHAEL J. WATKINS,)
Respondent)
)

A.I.D. NO. 2011- 165

EMERGENCY SUSPENSION ORDER

On this day, the emergency matter of Michael J. Watkins (“Respondent”) came before Jay Bradford, Arkansas Insurance Commissioner (“Commissioner”). The Arkansas Insurance Department (“Department”) was represented by Amanda Capps Rose, Associate Counsel, in this matter. From the facts and law before the Commissioner, he finds as follows:

GENERAL STIPULATIONS

1. The Commissioner has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 23-61-103.
2. 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).

FINDINGS OF FACT

3. Respondent holds Arkansas Resident Producer License No. 353786 and resides in Little Rock, Arkansas.
4. On or about November 4, 2011, 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 obligation.

5. 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:

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. The Commissioner is required to suspend the 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.

9. 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.

10. 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. 353786 is immediately and summarily suspended pending an administrative hearing pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 23-64-216(e). A Notice of Hearing was sent to the Respondent simultaneously with this Order.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

Respondent's Arkansas Resident Producer License No. 353786 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 that the Respondent is in full compliance with his obligations under any child support order.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 14th day of November, 2011.



JAY BRADFORD
INSURANCE COMMISSIONER
STATE OF ARKANSAS