# BEFORE THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

			FINAL ORDER
			Effective: 11/10/03
In the Matter of the Kansas Nonresident	)		
Insurance Agent's License of	)	Docket No.	3227-SO
JEFFREY M. DOMINGUEZ	)		

#### **SUMMARY ORDER**

(Pursuant to K.S.A. 2002 Supp. 40-4909 and K.S.A. 77-537)

Pursuant to authority granted to the Commissioner of Insurance ("Commissioner") by K.S.A. 2002 Supp. 40-4909, the Commissioner hereby revokes the nonresident agent's license of Jeffrey M. Dominguez ("Dominguez") by way of Summary Order as provided by K.S.A. 77-537.

## **Findings of Fact**

The Commissioner has been shown the following facts:

- 1. Records maintained by the Kansas Insurance Department ("KID") indicate that Dominguez is licensed as a nonresident agent to transact the business of insurance in the State of Kansas, and has been so licensed since January 29, 2002. KID records further indicate a legal and mailing address of 10701 E. Florian Ave., Mesa, AZ 85284.
- 2. The National Association of Insurance Commissioners ("NAIC") Regulatory Information Retrieval System ("RIRS") database reflects the following information: Dominguez' Washington insurance agent's license was revoked, effective April 29, 2003, after a background check and his failure to respond; he was denied an Idaho license, effective July 31, 2002, as a result of misstatement on application and failure to respond, and California revoked his license, effective August 30, 2003, as a result of other states' actions.
- 3. By letter of September 12, 2003, the KID attempted to contact Dominguez at his address of record for an explanation of the actions.
  - 4. The letter was returned as undeliverable on September 16, 2003.

5. To date, the KID has not received notice from Dominguez of the disciplinary actions or a change of address.

### **Applicable Law**

6. K.S.A. 2002 Supp. 40-4909(a) provides, in relevant part:

"The commissioner may deny, suspend, revoke or refuse renewal of any license issued under this act if the commissioner finds that the applicant or license holder has . . . (2) Violated: (A) Any provision of chapter 40 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, or any rule and regulation promulgated thereunder . . . (9) Had an insurance agent license, or its equivalent, denied, suspended or revoked in any other state, district or territory." K.S.A. 2002 Supp. 40-4909(a).

- 7. Administrative regulations require that a person licensed in this state as an insurance agent shall, within 30 days of the occurrence, report enumerated events to the Commissioner. Among these events are disciplinary action against the agent's license by the insurance regulatory official of any other state or territory and a change of address. K.A.R. § 40-7-9.
- 8. The Commissioner may revoke any license issued under the Insurance Agents Licensing Act if the Commissioner finds that the insurable interests of the public are not properly served under such license. K.S.A. 2002 Supp. 40-4909(b).

#### **Conclusions of Law**

- 9. The Commissioner has jurisdiction over Dominguez as well as the subject matter of this proceeding, and such proceeding is held in the public interest.
- 10. The Commissioner concludes that Dominguez' Kansas nonresident insurance agent's license may be revoked solely because Dominguez has had an insurance agent's license revoked in the states of California and Washington and denied in Idaho.
- 11. The Commissioner further concludes that Dominguez' license may be revoked because Dominguez has committed four violations of the administrative regulation requiring a

licensed agent to report disciplinary action by other states or any change of address within 30 days by failing to report three disciplinary actions and a change of address.

- 12. Accordingly, the Commissioner concludes that sufficient grounds exist for the revocation of the insurance agent's license of Jeffrey M. Dominguez pursuant to K.S.A. 2002 Supp. 40-4909(a).
- 13. Moreover, the Commissioner finds that Dominguez' has demonstrated irresponsibility, if not dishonesty, in his dealings with the licensing authorities in Washington, Idaho, and Kansas, and accordingly, his Kansas nonresident insurance agent's license should be revoked pursuant to K.S.A. 2002 Supp. 40-4909(b) for the protection of the insurable interests of the public.
- 14. Based on the facts and circumstances set forth herein, it appears that the use of summary proceedings in this matter is appropriate, in accordance with the provisions set forth in K.S.A. 77-537(a), in that the use of summary proceedings does not violate any provision of the law and the protection of the public interest does not require the KID to give notice and opportunity to participate to persons other than Jeffrey M. Dominguez.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE
THAT the Kansas nonresident insurance agent's license of Jeffrey M. Dominguez is hereby
REVOKED.

#### **Notice and Opportunity for Hearing**

Jeffrey M. Dominguez, within fifteen (15) days of service of this Summary Order, may file with the KID written request for a hearing on this Summary Order, as provided by K.S.A. 77-542. In the event a hearing is requested, such request should be directed to John W.

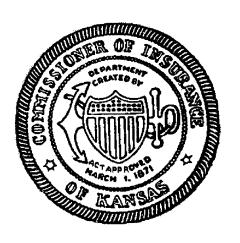
Campbell, General Counsel, Kansas Insurance Department, 420 S.W. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Topeka, KS 66612.

Any costs incurred as a result of conducting any administrative hearing shall be assessed against the agent who is the subject of the hearing as provided by K.S.A. 40-4909(f). Costs shall include witness fees, mileage allowances, any costs associated with the reproduction of documents which become part of the hearing record, and the expense of making a record of the hearing.

If a hearing is not requested, this summary order shall become effective as a Final Order, without further notice, upon the expiration of the fifteen-day period for requesting a hearing.

The Final Order will constitute final agency action in this matter.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS \_22<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER 2003, IN THE CITY OF TOPEKA, COUNTY OF SHAWNEE, STATE OF KANSAS.



_/s/ Sandy Praeger		
Sandy Praeger		
Commissioner of Insurance		
BY:		
_/s/ John W. Campbell		
John W. Campbell		
General Counsel		

NOTICE: The person designated pursuant to K.S.A. 77-613(e) to receive service of a petition for judicial review on behalf of the KID is John W. Campbell, General Counsel, Kansas Insurance Department, 420 S.W. 9<sup>th</sup> St., Topeka, KS 66612.

# **Certificate of Service**

The undersigned hereby certifies that she served a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Summary Order on this  $22^{nd}$  day of October 2003, by causing the same to be deposited in the United States Mail, first class postage prepaid, addressed to the following:

Jeffrey M. Dominguez 10701 E. Florian Ave. Mesa, AZ 85284

_/s/ Brenda J. Clary_	
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