

**BEFORE THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS**

In the Matter of the Kansas)
Nonresident License of HORACE MANN) **Docket No. 4234-CO**
INSURANCE COMPANY)
NAIC #22578)

CONSENT ORDER

The Commissioner of Insurance (“Commissioner”) the Kansas Insurance Department (“KID”) and Horace Mann Insurance Company (“Horace Mann”) wish to resolve the above-captioned matter before the Commissioner without formal adjudication.

The Commissioner hereby issues the following Order which shall become effective as a Final Order, without further notice, upon the expiration of the fifteen (15) day period if no request for hearing is made pursuant to K.S.A. 77-542.

Findings of Fact

The parties stipulate that if a hearing were conducted in this matter evidence could be adduced by KID and, although neither admitted nor denied by Horace Mann, it would be recognized as admissible to show the following:

1. Horace Mann General is domiciled in Illinois and has been authorized to issue insurance in Kansas since January 31, 1964.

2. On January 19, 2010, Horace Mann submitted for approval a homeowners rate and rule filing which was approved effective April 1, 2010.

3. On July 15, 2010, Horace Mann informed KID that because of IT problems the approved rates had not been put in effect or used when issuing policies that would have been covered by the filings.

Applicable Law

4. K.S.A. 40-955(g) provides in relevant part:

No insurer shall make or issue a contract or policy except in accordance with filings which have been filed or approved for such insurer as provided in this act.

5. K.S.A. 40-254 provides in relevant part:

Unless herein otherwise provided, every violation of any of the provisions of this code shall subject the person violating the same to a penalty of not to exceed five hundred dollars for each violation or by imprisonment not to exceed six months in the county jail or both.

6. K.S.A. 40-938 provides in relevant part:

No person or organization shall willfully withhold information from or knowingly give false or misleading information to the commissioner ... which will affect the rates or premiums chargeable under this act. If the commissioner finds that any person or organization has violated this section, the commissioner, after notice and the opportunity for hearing, may impose a penalty of not more than \$500 for each such violation. If the commissioner determines that such violation was willful, the

commissioner may impose a penalty of not more than \$2,000 for each such violation. Such penalties may be in addition to any other penalty provided by law.

Conclusions of Law

Based upon the above Findings of Fact and Applicable Law the Commissioner determines that it is in the public interest to issue the following order:

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

THAT:

1. Horace Mann neither admits nor denies the allegations set forth in the above Findings of Fact.
2. Horace Mann agrees to make a payment to KID in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00).
3. Upon this Consent Order becoming a Final Order and payment received, this action shall be dismissed with prejudice. If payment is not made as required, KID may vacate this Consent Order and proceed with hearing.

Notice of Right to Hearing or Appeal

You are entitled to a hearing pursuant to K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 77-537, the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act and K.S.A. 40-955. If you desire a hearing, you must file a written request for a hearing with:

John W. Campbell, General Counsel
Kansas Insurance Department
420 S.W. 9th Street
Topeka, Kansas 66612.

This request must be filed within fifteen (15) days from the date of service of this Order. If you request a hearing, the Kansas Insurance Department will notify you of the time and place of the hearing and information on the procedures, right of representation, and other rights of parties relating to the conduct of the hearing, before commencement of same.

If a hearing is not requested in the time and manner stated above, this Order shall become effective as a Final Order upon the expiration of time for requesting a hearing, pursuant to K.S.A. 77-613. In the event that you file a petition for judicial review, pursuant to K.S.A. 77-613(e), the agency officer to be served on behalf of the Kansas Insurance Department is:

John W. Campbell, General Counsel
Kansas Insurance Department
420 S.W. 9th Street
Topeka, Kansas 66612.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS __15th__ DAY OF __December__, 2010, 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

Approved and Submitted by:

/s/ John Wine
John Wine
Staff Attorney

/s/ Cynthia J. Lamar
Cynthia J. Lamar
Horace Mann Insurance Companies

Certificate of Service

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Consent Order was served by placing the same in the United States Mail, first class postage prepared, on this 15th day of Dec., 2010, addressed to the following:

Ms. Cynthia J. Lamar
Horace Mann Insurance Companies
One Horace Mann Plaza
Springfield, IL 67715

/s/ John Wine
John Wine
Staff Attorney