BEFORE THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of the Kansas Non-Resident)	
Insurance Agent's License of)	Docket No. 73423
Desiderio Ramos, Jr)	
NPN: #16493209)	

SUMMARY ORDER

(Pursuant to K.S.A. 40-4909, K.S.A. 77-501)

Pursuant to the authority granted to the Commissioner of Insurance ("Commissioner") by K.S.A. 40-4909, the Commissioner hereby revokes the agent's license of Respondent, **DESIDERIO RAMOS**, JR ("Respondent"). This Summary Order 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 Commissioner finds the following facts:

- 1. Respondent was licensed as a Kansas non-resident insurance agent on June 17, 2016, and remains licensed to date.
- 2. Respondent's legal (residential) address of record is 20 Loorz Ct. Sacramento, CA 95823-4613.
- 3. On February 28, 2018, the Kansas Insurance Department ("KID") received a notice of termination of Respondent's and Ascension Risk Services (collectively "Ascension") appointments with RLI Insurance Company ("RLI").
- 4. RLI advised Ascension's appointment with RLI was terminated for cause for Ascension's failure to remit premiums when due.
- 5. Respondent's own admission to RLI indicated the failure to remit premiums was due to the insolvency of Ascension caused by employee theft of funds.
- 6. RLI alleged that Ascension failed to pay premiums in the amount of \$297,000.
- 7. Respondent's producer license was revoked on May 31, 2018 in Respondent's home state of California.

Applicable Law

- Pursuant to K.S.A. 40-4909(a), "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:
 - (8) Used any fraudulent, coercive, or dishonest practice, or demonstrated any incompetence, untrustworthiness or financial irresponsibility in the conduct of business in this state or elsewhere." K.S.A. 40-4909(a)
 - o (9) Had an insurance agent license, or its equivalent, denied, suspended or revoked in any other state, district or territory. K.S.A. 40-4909(a)

Policy Reasons

- 1. It is in the public interest that the license of an agent who has used incompetence and financial irresponsibility in the conduct of business be revoked.
- 2. It is in the public interest that the license of an agent who has had an insurance agent license, or its equivalent, denied, suspended or revoked in any other state, district or territory be revoked.

Conclusions of Law

- 1. The Commissioner has jurisdiction over **DESIDERIO RAMOS**, **JR** as well as the subject matter of this proceeding, and such proceeding is held in the public interest.
- 2. The Commissioner finds that Respondent's Kansas license may be revoked because **DESIDERIO RAMOS**, JR used fraudulent conduct or demonstrated any incompetence, untrustworthiness or financial irresponsibility in the conduct of business in this state.
- 3. The Commissioner finds that Respondent's Kansas license may be revoked because **DESIDERIO RAMOS**, JR has had an insurance agent license, or its equivalent, denied, suspended or revoked in any other state, district or territory.
- 4. The Commissioner finds, pursuant to K.S.A. 40-4909(b), that the interests of the public are not properly served under Respondent's license.
- 5. Accordingly, the Commissioner concludes that sufficient grounds exist for the revocation of the insurance agent's license of **DESIDERIO RAMOS**, JR, pursuant to K.S.A. 40-4909(a) and (b).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE THAT:

- 1. The Kansas nonresident Insurance Agent's License of **DESIDERIO RAMOS**, **JR** is hereby **REVOKED** the effective date of this Order.
- 2. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that DESIDERIO RAMOS, JR shall CEASE and DESIST from the sale, solicitation or negotiation of insurance and/or receiving compensation deriving from the sale, solicitation or negotiation of insurance conducted after the effective date of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 15 DAY OF JUNE, 2018, IN THE CITY OF TOPEKA, COUNTY OF SHAWNEE, STATE OF KANSAS.



Ken Selzer, CPA Commissioner of Insurance

BY:

Diane Minear General Counsel

NOTICE AND OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

DESIDERIO RAMOS, JR, within fifteen (15) days of service of this Summary Order, may file with the Kansas Insurance Department a written request for 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:

Diane Minear, General Counsel Kansas Insurance Department 420 S.W. 9th Street Topeka, Kansas 66612

Any costs incurred as a result of conducting any administrative hearing shall be assessed against the agent/agency 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 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 (15) day period for requesting a hearing. The Final Order will constitute final agency action in the matter.

In the event the Respondent files a petition for judicial review, the agency officer designated pursuant to K.S.A. 77-613(e) to receive service of a petition for judicial review on behalf of the Kansas Insurance Department is:

Diane Minear, General Counsel Kansas Insurance Department 420 S.W. 9th St. Topeka, Kansas 66612

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that he served the above and foregoing Summary Order on this 2 day of <u>June</u>, 2018, by causing the same to be deposited in the United States Mail, first class postage prepaid, addressed to the following:

Desiderio Ramos, Jr. 20 Loorz Ct. Sacramento, CA 95823-4613

> Steven Lehwald Staff Attorney