

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

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| In the Matter of the Financial Condition Examination |) | |
| Report as of December 31, 2017 |) | Docket No. 78545 |
| American Southern Insurance Company |) | |
| NAIC Company Code: 10235 |) | |

ORDER

This matter is before the Commissioner for consideration of the financial condition examination report as of December 31, 2017 of American Southern Insurance Company, a Kansas corporation. Before the Commissioner of Insurance is whether to adopt, reject, or modify the examination report pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 40-222.

The Commissioner of Insurance, having fully considered and reviewed the financial condition examination report, together with all written submissions, applicable rebuttals, and all relevant portions of the examiners' workpapers, finds as follows:

Policy Reasons

It is stated policy of the State of Kansas that whenever the Commissioner of Insurance deems it necessary, but at least once every five years, the Commissioner may make an examination of the affairs and financial condition of any insurance company in the process of organization, applying for admission, or doing business in this State. Through the examination process, the insurance consuming public will be well served and protected.

Findings of Fact

1. The Commissioner has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to K.S.A. 40-222.

2. The Kansas Insurance Department undertook an examination of American Southern Insurance Company. The Department completed the examination on April 26, 2019.

3. On April 26, 2019, the examiner-in-charge tendered and filed with the Kansas Insurance Department a verified written report of the examination within thirty (30) days following completion of the examination.

4. Following receipt of the verified report, the Kansas Insurance Department transmitted the report to American Southern Insurance Company on May 3, 2019, with a duly executed notice advising the company of its opportunity to prepare and submit to the Kansas Insurance Department a written submission or rebuttal with respect to any matters contained in the report. The Kansas Insurance Department further advised American Southern Insurance Company that it needed to file any written submission or rebuttal with the Kansas Insurance Department no later than thirty (30) days after receipt of the verified report.

5. American Southern Insurance Company filed written rebuttals of the verified report on May 3, 2019.

6. On May 20, 2019, the Kansas Insurance Department informed American Southern Insurance Company that it had adopted some of the changes proposed in American Southern Insurance Company's rebuttal to the verified report.

7. Within thirty (30) days of the end of the time period allowed for written submission or rebuttal, the Commissioner of Insurance fully reviewed the report, together with all written submissions and rebuttals provided by American Southern Insurance Company. The Commissioner of Insurance further reviewed all relevant workpapers.

8. American Southern Insurance Company did not submit any other written submissions or rebuttals to the examination report.

Conclusion of Law

9. K.S.A. 40-222(k)(2) provides:

“Within 30 days of the end of the period allowed for the receipt of written submissions or rebuttals, the commissioner shall fully consider and review the report, together with any written submissions or rebuttals and any relevant portions of the examiners workpapers and enter an order:

“(A) Adopting the examination report as filed or with modification or corrections. If the examination report reveals that the company is operating in violation of any law, regulation or prior order of the commissioner, the commissioner may order the company to take any action the commissioner considers necessary and appropriate to cure such violations; or

“(B) rejecting the examination report with directions to the examiners to reopen the examination for purposes of obtaining additional data, documentation or information, and refiling pursuant to subsection (k); or

“(C) call and conduct a fact-finding hearing in accordance with K.S.A. 40-281 and amendments thereto for purposes of obtaining additional documentation, data, information and testimony.”

10. Based upon the Findings of Fact enumerated in paragraphs #1 through #8 above, the modified financial condition examination report as of December 31, 2017, of American Southern Insurance Company should be adopted.

11. This Order constitutes the Final Order in this matter.

IT IS THEREFORE, BY THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE, ORDERED THAT:

1. The modified financial condition examination report as of December 31, 2017, of American Southern Insurance Company is adopted.

2. The Commissioner of Insurance retains jurisdiction over this matter to issue any further Orders deemed appropriate or to take such further action necessary to dispose of this matter.

3. Within 30 days of the issuance of the adopted report, the company shall file affidavits executed by each of its directors stating under oath that they have received a copy of the adopted report and related orders.

4. The Commissioner of Insurance shall hold the content of the examination report as private and confidential information for a period of 30 days. Thereafter, the commissioner may open the report for public inspection so long as no court of competent jurisdiction has stayed its publication.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 28th DAY OF June, 2019, IN THE CITY OF TOPEKA, COUNTY OF SHAWNEE, STATE OF KANSAS.



Vicki Schmidt

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Commissioner of Insurance

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