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Order No. SR 23-21

In the Matter of

MELISSA MICHELE BOWER

NPN# 20699515

) Revocation of Insurance
Producer License Pursuant
to AS 21.27.440

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ACCUSATION AND ORDER OF REVOCATION

- On May 2nd, 2023, MELISSA MICHELE BOWER (BOWER),
 domiciled in the State of Alaska applied for a resident Insurance Producer
 license with the Alaska Department of Commerce, Community and
 Economic Development, Division of Insurance (Division).
- Upon review of the initial application, BOWER responded negatively to background questions 1A, 1B and 1C. BOWER had indicated no criminal conviction to report to the State of Alaska.
- On May 10th, 2023, the Division issued BOWER an Insurance Producer license number 3002510124 to transact the business of Life insurance.

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The resident license has an expiration date of October 31st on even numbered years.

- 4. On June 16th, 2023, result of the criminal background check by the Alaska Department of Safety revealed a military conviction of BOWER in effect January 24th, 2017, which was not reported to the Division.
- 5. On June 16th, 2023, correspondence was issued to BOWER indicating the result of the criminal background check and listed the required documents BOWER must provide to continue with the application process. No response was received by the Division.
- 6. BOWER was in violation for failing to report her criminal history to the Division which subjects BOWER to civil penalties pursuant to Alaska Statute (AS) 21.27.440(a) "in addition to any other penalties provided by law, a person that the director (director) determines under AS 21.06.170-21.06.240 has violated the provisions of this chapter is subject to (1) a civil penalty equal to the compensation promised, paid, or to be paid, directly or indirectly, to a person in regard to each violation; (2) either a civil penalty of not more than \$10,000 for each violation or a civil penalty of not more than \$25,000 for each violation if the director determines that the person willfully violated the provisions of this chapter; and (3) denial, nonrenewal, suspension, or revocation of a license." The director has the latitude to impose civil penalties against a person who has violated Alaska's insurance laws.

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7. AS 21.27.020(a) provides: "For the protection of the people of this state, the director may not issue or renew a license except in compliance with this chapter and not issue a license to a person, or to be exercised by a person, found by the director to be untrustworthy, incompetent, or who has not established to the satisfaction of the director that the person is qualified under this chapter."

- 8. AS 21.27.020(b)(4) provides: "To qualify for issuance or renewal of an individual license, an applicant or licensee shall (4) be a trustworthy person."
- 9. AS 21.27.025(a) states that "(a) A licensee shall notify the director in writing not later than 30 days after a change in residence, place of business, legal name, fictitious name or alias, mailing address, electronic mailing address, telephone number, or compliance officer. A licensee shall report to the director in writing any administrative action taken against the licensee by a governmental agency of another state, by a governmental agency of another jurisdiction, or by a financial industry regulatory authority sanction or arbitration proceeding not later than 30 days after the final disposition of the action. A licensee shall submit to the director the final order and other relevant legal documents in the action. A licensee shall report to the director any criminal prosecution of the licensee in this or another state or jurisdiction not later than 30 days after the date of filing of the criminal complaint, indictment, information, or citation in the prosecution. The licensee shall submit to the director a copy of the

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