STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL AND FINANCIAL REGULATION BUREAU OF INSURANCE

In re:

Scott Shapiro

National Producer No. 16235604 Maine License No. PRN206984 Docket No. INS-15-200 LICENSE REVOCATION NOTICE, ORDER, and OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

NOTICE TO SCOTT SHAPIRO:

Effective as of **February 23, 2015**, your Maine non-resident insurance producer license will be **REVOKED** without further formal proceedings unless you request a hearing as specified below.

The reasons for license revocation are as follows:

- 1. On September 25, 2013, the Commonwealth of Virginia revoked your non-resident producer license for "failing to make records available promptly upon request for examination" by the Department. The Virginia revocation constitutes grounds for revocation of your Maine license under 24-A M.R.S. § 1420-K(1)(B), for violating insurance laws, and § 1420-K(1)(I), for having an insurance producer license, or its equivalent, denied, suspended, or revoked in any other state, province, district, or territory.
- 2. On November 4, 2013, the Commonwealth of Kentucky revoked your non-resident producer license for (i) intentional misrepresentation of an actual or proposed insurance contract; (ii) using fraudulent, coercive, or dishonest practices; or demonstrating incompetence, untrustworthiness, or financial irresponsibility; or being a source of injury or loss to the public in the conduct of business; and (iii) failure to respond to any of the Department's attempts to contact you. The Kentucky revocation constitutes grounds for revocation of your Maine license under 24-A M.R.S. § 1420-K(1)(B), for violating insurance laws, and § 1420-K(1)(I), for having an insurance producer license, or its equivalent, denied, suspended, or revoked in any other state, province, district, or territory.
- 3. On May 9, 2014, the State of South Dakota revoked your non-resident producer license for failing to make timely responses to the Department's inquiries to you. The South Dakota revocation constitutes grounds for revocation of your Maine license under 24-A M.R.S. § 1420-K(1)(B), for violating insurance laws, and § 1420-K(1)(I), for having an insurance producer license, or its equivalent, denied, suspended, or revoked in any other state, province, district, or territory.

- 4. On July 11, 2014, the State of Wyoming revoked your non-resident producer license based upon the Kentucky and Virginia administrative actions. The Wyoming revocation constitutes grounds for revocation of your Maine license under § 1420-K(1)(I), for having an insurance producer license, or its equivalent, denied, suspended, or revoked in any other state, province, district, or territory.
- 5. You failed to timely report any of the four administrative actions taken against you described hereinabove to the Maine Superintendent of Insurance as required by 24-A M.R.S. § 1420-P(1), which also constitutes grounds for revocation of your Maine license under 24-A M.R.S. § 1420-K(1)(B), for violating insurance laws.

Therefore, based upon the above grounds, your Maine insurance producer license is **revoked** as of **February 23, 2015**, pursuant to 24-A M.R.S. §§1417 and 1420-K, subject to your right to request a hearing.

Under the Maine Insurance Code, specifically 24-A M.R.S. §1417 and §1420-K, you have the right to a hearing before the Superintendent or his designee. If you request a hearing, you will have the right to present evidence and arguments in your defense, and the staff of the Bureau of Insurance will bear the burden of proving each violation by a preponderance of evidence.

If you request a hearing, you will receive further communication regarding scheduling. The matters to be determined through the hearing process are whether you committed one or more of the violations listed above, and if so, the appropriate sanctions for those violations. The sanctions imposed after a hearing can include any available remedy under applicable laws, including the payment of civil penalties.

To request a hearing, you must notify the Bureau of Insurance in writing no later than February 23, 2015. If you do not file a written request for a hearing within 30 days from the time you knew or reasonably should have known of the revocation of your license through this Notice and Order, you will lose your right to request a hearing on this license revocation Notice and Order.

Any request for a hearing, as well as all other communications regarding this Notice, Order, and Opportunity for Hearing must be addressed to Bureau Licensing Attorney Kristina M. Balbo, Bureau of Insurance, #34 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333-0034 (for US Postal Service deliveries) or 76 Northern Avenue, Gardiner, Maine 04345 (for private carrier deliveries, such as FedEx or UPS). You may also reach Attorney Balbo by e-mail at kristina.m.balbo@maine.gov or by telephone at (207) 624-8429.

January 16, 2015

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Superintendent of Insurance