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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
SPECIAL CIVIL PART - ESSEX COUNTY
DOCKET NO. ESX-DC-011470-20

MARLENE CARIDE,)
COMMISSIONER OF THE NEW)
JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF)
BANKING AND INSURANCE,)
)
Plaintiff,)
)
v.)
)
JOSE TORRES,)
)
Defendant.)

Civil Action

**ORDER FOR FINAL JUDGMENT BY
DEFAULT**

**SPECIAL CIVIL PART: STATUTORY
PENALTIES**

AMOUNT IN CONTROVERSY: \$7,641.00

THIS MATTER HAVING BEEN opened to the Court on the application of Gurbir S. Grewal, Attorney General of New Jersey, (by Ashleigh B. Shelton, Deputy Attorney General, appearing), attorney for Plaintiff, Marlene Caride, Commissioner of the New

Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance on a motion for final judgment by default; and

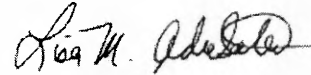
Defendant, Jose Torres ("Defendant"), having been duly served with a copy of the Summons and Complaint in the above-captioned action and default having been entered for failure to appear, answer, or otherwise defend;

This Court now finds that Defendant violated the New Jersey Insurance Fraud Prevention Act, N.J.S.A. 17:33A-1 to -30 ("Fraud Act") by presenting false oral statements to Progressive Garden State Insurance Company on or about May 27, 2019 in support of a claim for payment; and

FINAL JUDGMENT is on this 16th day of April, 2021, entered in the amount of \$7,641.00 against Defendant Jose Torres and in favor of Plaintiff, Marlene Caride, Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance. This amount consists of: a \$5,000.00 civil penalty for one violation of the Fraud Act, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b); attorneys' fees of \$1,641.00, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b); and a statutory fraud surcharge of \$1,000.00 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5.1; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:6A-15, Defendant's driving privileges shall be suspended for a period of one year from the date of this judgment.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that a copy of this Order be served upon all parties within 7 days ~~of the date of receipt.~~ pursuant to R.1:5-1(a).



LISA M. ADUBATO, J.S.C.

This motion was:

_____ Opposed

X _____ Unopposed