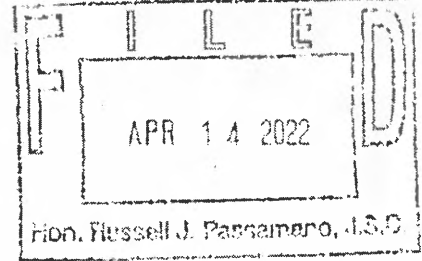


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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION - ESSEX COUNTY
DOCKET NO. ESX-L-005446-21

MARLENE CARIDE,)
COMMISSIONER OF THE)
NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF)
BANKING AND INSURANCE,)
Plaintiff,)
v.)
ABDULLAH JACKSON, JR. and)
KASIM GOMEZ,)
Defendants.)

Civil Action

**ORDER FOR FINAL JUDGMENT
BY DEFAULT**

THIS MATTER HAVING BEEN opened to the Court on the application of Matthew J. Platkin, Acting Attorney General of New Jersey, (by William E. Vaughan, Deputy Attorney General, appearing), attorney for Plaintiff, Marlene Caride, Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance on a motion for judgment by default; and

Defendants, Abdullah Jackson, Jr. ("Jackson") and Kasim Gomez

("Gomez") (collectively, "Defendants"), having been duly served with copies of the Summons and Complaint in the above-captioned action, and default having been entered for Defendants' failure to appear, answer, or otherwise defend;

This Court now finds that Defendants violated the New Jersey Insurance Fraud Prevention Act, N.J.S.A. 17:33A-1 to -30 ("Fraud Act") by conspiring with each other, and knowingly making false material statements to an insurance company in support of an automobile insurance application and claim;

Specifically Jackson: (a) made false statements to Progressive Garden State Insurance Company ("Progressive") on an application that Jackson resided at and garaged his vehicle in Edison, New Jersey when, in fact, Jackson resided and his vehicle was garaged in East Orange, New Jersey, in violation of N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(3) and -4(a)(4)(b); (b) made false statements to Progressive in support of an automobile insurance claim, that Jackson resided at and garaged his vehicle in Edison, New Jersey when, in fact, Jackson resided and his vehicle was garaged in East Orange, New Jersey, in violation of N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(1); and (c) conspired with Gomez to falsely represent to Progressive as part of a claim for insurance benefits that Jackson resided at and garaged his vehicle in Edison, New Jersey when, in fact, Jackson resided and his vehicle was garaged in East Orange, New Jersey, in violation of N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(b);

Specifically Gomez: (a) made false statements to Progressive in

support of an automobile insurance claim, that Jackson resided at and garaged his vehicle in Edison, New Jersey when, in fact, Jackson resided and his vehicle was garaged in East Orange, New Jersey, in violation of N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(1); and (b) conspired with Jackson to falsely represent to Progressive as part of a claim for insurance benefits that Jackson resided at and garaged his vehicle in Edison, New Jersey when, in fact, Jackson resided and his vehicle was garaged in East Orange, New Jersey, in violation of N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(b); and

FINAL JUDGMENT is on this *14th* day of *April*, 2022, entered in favor of Plaintiff, Marlene Caride, Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance, as follows:

1. \$10,000.00 in civil penalties against Jackson for three (3) violations of the Fraud Act, under N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b);
2. \$5,000.00 in civil penalties against Gomez for two (2) violations of the Fraud Act, under N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b);
3. Attorneys' fees of \$3,500.00, jointly and severally, against both Defendants, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b);
4. Cost of service in the amount of \$80.00 against Jackson, individually, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b);
5. Cost of service in the amount of \$150.00 against Gomez, individually, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b);
6. A statutory fraud surcharge of \$1,000.00 against Jackson, individually, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5.1; and

7. A statutory fraud surcharge of \$1,000.00 against Gomez, individually, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5.1.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:6A-15, Defendants' driving privileges will be suspended for a period of one (1) 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.



Russell J. Pascamano, J.S.C. J.S.C.

This motion was:

 Opposed 7 Unopposed