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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION - BURLINGTON COUNTY
DOCKET NO. BUR-L-000718-24

JUSTIN ZIMMERMAN, ACTING)	
COMMISSIONER OF THE)	<u>Civil Action</u>
NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF)	
BANKING AND INSURANCE,)	ORDER FOR FINAL JUDGMENT
)	BY DEFAULT
Plaintiff,)	
)	
v.)	
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DINA AFIFI,)	
)	
Defendant.)	

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

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

This Court now finds that Defendant made false representations in support of at least twelve claims for insurance benefits and presented at least ten false documents in support of her false claims, in violation of the New Jersey Insurance Fraud Prevention Act, N.J.S.A. 17:33A-1 to -30 ("Fraud Act"); and

Specifically, Defendant made false representations in support of at least twelve claims for insurance benefits, and presented at least ten false medical documents in support of reimbursement of services provided to Defendant or her dependents when, in fact, neither Defendant nor her dependents were seen for dental services on the dates claimed, in violation of N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(1), N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(2), and N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4(a)(3), and

FINAL JUDGMENT is on this 11th day of October 2024, entered in the amount of \$19,575.00 against Defendant and in favor of Plaintiff, Justin Zimmerman, Acting Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance. This amount consists of:

- a. \$15,000.00 in civil penalties for two (22) violations of the Fraud Act, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b);
- b. attorneys' fees of \$3,500.00 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b);

c. A statutory fraud surcharge of \$1,000.00 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5.1; and

d. Costs of service in the amount of \$75.00 against Defendant pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(b).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-26, Defendant is to pay \$2,800.00 in restitution to Aflac; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that a copy of this Order be served upon all parties within seven (7) days of the date of receipt.

s/ Eric G. Fikry, P.J.Cv.
HON. ERIC G. FIKRY, P.J.Cv.

☐ Opposed
☒ Unopposed