

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF BANKING AND INSURANCE** 21C-182N  
**BUREAU OF FRAUD DETERRENCE**



**CONSENT ORDER NO. 20-51692-38**

In the Matter of )  
Katsushi Okuma ) CONSENT ORDER  
530 10<sup>th</sup> St. )  
Palisades Park, NJ 07650 )

and

Sapphire Flash Inc. ) CONSENT ORDER  
530 10<sup>th</sup> St. )  
Palisades Park, NJ 07650 )  
Respondents. )

THIS MATTER having been opened by the Bureau of Fraud Deterrence, Department of Banking and Insurance of the State of New Jersey, upon information indicating that Respondents, Katsushi Okuma and Sapphire Flash Incorporated, both conducting business at 530 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Palisades Park, New Jersey, may have violated the provisions of N.J.S.A. 17:33A-4; and

WHEREAS, Respondents, Katsushi Okuma, and Sapphire Flash Incorporated, knowingly provided false and misleading information on a Commercial Automobile Insurance Application with Progressive Insurance dated August 21, 2019. Specifically, Mr. Okuma and Sapphire Flash Incorporated failed to disclose a regular operator of the policy vehicle.

WHEREAS, the above conduct constitutes a violation of N.J.S.A. 17:33A-1 et seq., and any future violation of N.J.S.A. 17:33A-1 et seq., shall be considered to be a subsequent offense; and

WHEREAS, Respondents have been informed that they have a right to notice and to request a hearing, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act (N.J.S.A. 52:14B-1 et seq.), on the violation alleged herein before a civil and administrative penalty is imposed; and

WHEREAS, Respondents understand these rights and have voluntarily waived the right to notice and to a formal legal proceeding in this matter; and

WHEREAS, Respondents consent to pay, jointly and severally, a civil administrative penalty in the amount of \$2,500.00, and surcharge in the amount of \$125.00 against, Katsushi Okuma, Individually, and surcharge in the amount of \$125.00 against Sapphire Flash Incorporated, Individually, the total amount of \$ 2,750.00 being due immediately by certified check, bank check or money order made payable to the "Commissioner, Department of Banking and Insurance". This signed order and the payment shall be returned to Managing Investigator, Ronald Dellanno, Bureau of Fraud Deterrence, Department of Banking and Insurance, One Apollo Drive, Whippany, New Jersey 07981; and

WHEREAS, the penalties of this Consent Order are imposed pursuant to the police powers of the State of New Jersey for the enforcement of the law and the protection of the public health, safety and welfare, and are not intended to constitute debts which may be limited or discharged in a bankruptcy proceeding; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING that the matter is suitable for resolution upon the consent of the parties and that Respondents and the Bureau of Fraud Deterrence desire to terminate this matter without further hearing or litigation, and for further good cause appearing;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ON THIS 26TH day of July, 2021,

ORDERED AND AGREED as follows:

1. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5(c), civil administrative penalty of \$2,500.00 is imposed on Respondents, Katsushi Okuma and Sapphire Flash Incorporated, jointly and severally.
2. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5.1, Respondents shall pay to the Commissioner, Department of Banking and Insurance, a surcharge equal to five (5%) percent of the settlement amount, which is \$125.00 each, such amount to be in addition to the civil administrative penalty.
3. This Consent Order shall not be binding until it is signed by the Chief of Investigations, Bureau of Fraud Deterrence.

4. Respondents consent to the entry of this final administrative order.

Respondents understand that this final administrative order may be docketed with the Clerk of the Superior Court as provided in the Penalty Enforcement Law (N.J.S.A. 2A:58-1 et seq.).

MARLENE CARIDE  
COMMISSIONER  
DEPARTMENT OF BANKING AND INSURANCE

By: Richard Besser  
RICHARD BESSER  
CHIEF OF INVESTIGATIONS  
BUREAU OF FRAUD DETERRENCE

CONSENTED TO AS TO FORM, CONTENT  
AND ENTRY OF ORDER:

[Signature]  
Katsushi Okuma, Respondent

Dated: 06-30 / 2021

[Signature]  
Sapphire Flash Incorporated, Respondent  
By: Katsushi Okuma

Dated: 06-30 / 2021