## No. 2020-6521

## Official Order of the Texas Commissioner of Insurance

## Date: <u>10/27/2020</u>

### **Subject Considered:**

Minico Insurance Agency, LLC 10851 N. Black Canyon Hwy., Suite 200 Phoenix, Arizona 85029

Consent Order TDI Enforcement File No. 25957

### General remarks and official action taken:

This is a consent order with Minico Insurance Agency, LLC. Minico Insurance Agency, LLC failed to timely file surplus lines policies and related documents. Minico Insurance Agency, LLC has agreed to pay a \$9,575 administrative penalty for these violations.

#### Waiver

Minico Insurance Agency, LLC acknowledges that the Texas Insurance Code and other applicable law provide certain rights. Minico Insurance Agency, LLC waives all of these rights, and any other applicable procedural rights, in consideration of the entry of this consent order.

### Findings of Fact

1. Minico Insurance Agency, LLC, organization/individual identification number 38397, holds a surplus lines license issued by the Texas Department of Insurance.

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- 2. Pursuant to TEX. INS. CODE § 981.105(a), a surplus lines insurance agent must file with the Surplus Lines Stamping Office of Texas either:
  - a. a copy of the policy issued or
  - b. if the policy has not yet been issued, a copy of the certificate, cover note, or other confirmation of insurance delivered to the insured.

This information is due not later than the 60<sup>th</sup> day after the later of the effective date or the issue date of new or renewal surplus lines insurance.

3. In 2019, Minico Insurance Agency, LLC filed surplus lines policies late.

## **Conclusions of Law**

- 1. The commissioner of insurance has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to TEX. INS. CODE §§ 82.051-82.055, 84.021-84.044, and 981.105.
- 2. The commissioner of insurance has authority to informally dispose of this matter under TEX. INS. CODE § 82.055, TEX. GOV'T CODE § 2001.056, and 28 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 1.47.
- 3. Minico Insurance Agency, LLC has knowingly and voluntarily waived all procedural rights to which it may have been entitled regarding the entry of this order, including, but not limited to, issuance and service of notice of intention to institute disciplinary action, notice of hearing, a public hearing, a proposal for decision, rehearing by the commissioner, and judicial review.
- 4. Minico Insurance Agency, LLC violated TEX. INS. CODE § 981.105(a) by failing to timely file new or renewal surplus lines policies and related documents.

### Order

It is ordered that Minico Insurance Agency, LLC must pay an administrative penalty of \$9,575. The administrative penalty must be paid within 30 days from the date of this order. The administrative penalty must be paid by cashier's check or money order made payable to the "State of Texas." Mail the administrative penalty to the Texas Department of Insurance, Attn: Enforcement Division, Division 60851, MC 9999, P.O. Box 149104, Austin, Texas 78714-9104.

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Commissioner of Insurance

By: Doug Slape

Doug Slape Chief Deputy Commissioner TEX. GOV'T CODE § 601.002 Commissioner's Order No. 2018-5528

Recommended and reviewed by:

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Leah Gillum, Deputy Commissioner Enforcement Division

<u>/s/ Casey Seeboth</u> Casey Seeboth, Attorney Enforcement Division

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#### Affidavit

THE STATE OF <u>Arizona</u> COUNTY OF <u>Maricopa</u> § § §

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared the affiant, who being by me duly sworn, deposed as follows:

"My name is Mike Schofield I am of sound mind, capable of making this statement, and have personal knowledge of these facts which are true and correct.

I hold the office of President & CEO and am the authorized representative of Minico Insurance Agency, LLC. I am duly authorized by the organization to execute this statement.

Minico Insurance Agency, LLC has knowingly and voluntarily entered into the foregoing consent order and agrees with and consents to the issuance and service of the same by the commissioner of insurance of the state of Texas."

Affiant

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me on UCHOBER 16, 2020.

(NOTARY SEAL)

RUBY PAYTON Notary Public - State of Arizona MARICOPA COUNTY Ay Commission Expires November 09, 2021

Signature of Notary Public

Printed Name of Notary Public