Official Order of the Texas Commissioner of Insurance

Date: 10/11/2022

Subject Considered:

Louis A Williams & Associates Inc P.O. Drawer 1309 Marshall, Texas 75670

Consent Order
TDI Enforcement File No. 30632

General remarks and official action taken:

This is a consent order with Louis A Williams & Associates Inc (Williams & Associates). Williams & Associates failed to timely file surplus lines policies and related documents. Williams & Associates has agreed to pay an administrative penalty of \$3,250.00 for these violations.

Waiver

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

Findings of Fact

- 1. Williams & Associates, organization identification number 11450, holds a surplus lines license issued by the Texas Department of Insurance.
- 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

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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 60th day after the later of the effective date or the issue date of new or renewal surplus lines insurance.

3. In 2021, Williams & Associates 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. Williams & Associates 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. Williams & Associates 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 Louis A Williams & Associates Inc must pay an administrative penalty of \$3,250.00 within 30 days from the date of this order. The administrative penalty must be paid as instructed in the invoice, which the department will send after entry of this order.

Cassie Brown

Commissioner of Insurance

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Recommended and reviewed by:

Leah Gillum, Deputy Commissioner Fraud and Enforcement Division

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Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared the affiant, who being by me duly sworn, deposed as follows:	
"My name is <u>Chris Burke</u> . I am of s and have personal knowledge of these facts	ound mind, capable of making this statement, swhich are true and correct.

Louis A Williams & Associates Inc 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."

I hold the office of _____ and am the authorized representative of Louis A Williams & Associates Inc. I am duly authorized by the organization to execute this

statement.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me on Oct. 4th , 2022.

(NOTARY SEAL)

FAYE McINTOSH ID #7919069 Commission Expires June 18, 2023

Printed Name of Notary Public