

**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE**

COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

PETITIONER

VS.

**WOODOLPH ROMEO
NON-RESIDENT PRODUCER
LICENSE NO.: 10145920**

RESPONDENT

ORDER

THIS CAUSE came on for hearing before the Commissioner of Insurance of the State of Mississippi, sitting in a special session in the offices of the Commissioner of Insurance, 10th Floor, Woolfolk Building, 501 North West Street, Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi, on Tuesday, November 24, 2009 at 10:00 a.m, on a Notice of Hearing and Statement of Charges filed against Woodolph Romeo ("Respondent"), to hear evidence concerning said Notice of Hearing and Statement of Charges, and the Respondent or a representative of the Respondent failed to appear, therefore, the Commissioner makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, to-wit:

NOTICE AND HEARING

I.

That on or about September 25, 2009 the Commissioner of Insurance of the State of Mississippi, or his appointee, pursuant to *Miss. Code Ann.* § 83-17-71 (Supp. 2008) gave the required notice to the Respondent of the Commissioner's intention to hold a hearing for the purpose of revoking the Respondent's Non-Resident Producer LAH License Number 10145920.

II.

That said Notice of Hearing and Statement of Charges was sent to Respondent by certified mail, return receipt requested at the address Respondent provided to the Licensing Division of the Mississippi Department of Insurance.

III.

That pursuant to said Notice, a hearing was scheduled before the Commissioner of Insurance of the State of Mississippi, for 10:00 a.m., on Tuesday, November 3, 2009.

IV.

The Notice of Hearing and Statement of Charges was returned as "unclaimed" by the United States Postal Service on October 20, 2009.

V.

The Commissioner of Insurance, in an attempt to provide the Notice of Hearing and Statement of Charges, sent a second Notice certified mail, return receipt requested on October 28, 2009.

VI.

That pursuant to said second Notice, a hearing was scheduled before the Commissioner of Insurance of the State of Mississippi, for 10:00 a.m., on Tuesday, November 24, 2009.

VII.

The second Notice of Hearing and Statement of Charges was returned as "unclaimed" by the United States Postal Service on November 24, 2009.

VIII.

That Respondent, Woodolph Romeo, after being duly and properly notified of said hearing in accordance with statutory requirements, failed to appear at said hearing at its scheduled time in order to testify and submit evidence. Therefore, evidence was taken without the Respondent.

FINDINGS OF FACT

AFTER CONSIDERING all of the evidence presented, the Commissioner of Insurance makes the following Findings of Fact:

IX.

The Respondent on his application, signed and dated March 8, 2009, for a Non-Resident Producer LAH License in the State of Mississippi indicated “No” to the question, “Have you ever been convicted of a crime, had a judgment withheld or deferred, or are you currently charged with committing a crime?”

X.

In August of 2009, the Mississippi Department of Insurance received information concerning the Respondent’s conviction of a felony on November 16, 2004, in the Supreme Court of Queens County, New York, for “Promoting Prostitution”. Respondent was sentenced to two (2) to six (6) years on January 14, 2005. Respondent was released on July 22, 2008, and has Parole Supervision until July 22, 2010.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

IN LIGHT OF THE AFOREMENTIONED Findings of Fact, the Commissioner of Insurance finds that the Respondent, Woodolph Romeo, has committed the following violations:

XI.

Respondent has violated the provisions of *Miss. Code Ann.* § 83-17-71 (1) (a) (Supp. 2008) by Respondent's providing incorrect, misleading, incomplete or materially untrue information in the license application.

XII.

Respondent has violated the provisions of *Miss. Code Ann.* § 83-17-71 (1) (c) (Supp. 2008) by Respondent's obtaining or attempting to obtain a license through misrepresentation or fraud.

XIII.

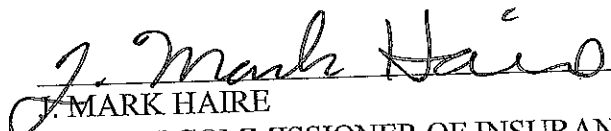
Respondent has violated the provisions of *Miss. Code Ann.* § 83-17-71 (1) (f) (Supp. 2008) by Respondent's having been convicted of a felony.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, that the charges previously stated herein against the Respondent, Woodolph Romeo, shall be and by the same are hereby sustained.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the license granted to the Respondent, Woodolph Romeo by the Commissioner, under license number 10145920, to act as a Non-Resident Producer be **REVOKED** effective immediately.

SO ORDERED, this the 21st day of December, 2009.


J. MARK HAIRE
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI