BEFORE THE UTAH INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

UTAH INSURANCE DEPARTMENT,

Complainant,

vs.

WILLIAM STIHL RICHARDS, Insurance License Applicant,

Respondent.

AMENDED DISMISSAL ORDER

Docket No. 2021-4328

Donald H. Hansen Administrative Law Judge/Presiding Officer

This matter came before the undersigned for a telephonic prehearing conference, pursuant to notice, on Wednesday, May 26, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. The conference call was recorded.

Respondent William Stihl Richards, *pro se*, appeared telephonically. Complainant's attorney, Helen Frohlich, Assistant Utah Attorney General, also appeared telephonically.

This matter was commenced on May 14, 2021, when Respondent filed a request to appeal and for a hearing regarding Complainant's denial of his license application. The matter was scheduled for a telephonic prehearing conference to be held on May 26, 2021.

During the prehearing conference, Complainant's counsel explained the legal basis for Complainant's denial of Respondent's application for licensure. Respondent then verbally requested to withdraw his appeal, stating he had not previously understood the applicable provisions of Utah law. Complainant had no objection to Respondent's withdrawal of his appeal.

Therefore, based upon Respondent's verbal motion, and for good cause shown, it is therefore ORDERED that Respondent's appeal is DISMISSED with prejudice, and the case is closed. Respondent's license denial, dated May 12, 2021, is UPHELD.

DATED this 27th day of May, 2021.

JONATHAN T. PIKE UTAH INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

/s/ Donald H. Hansen

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that on this date a true and correct copy of the foregoing

Amended Dismissal Order was emailed to:

William Stihl Richards

Helen Frohlich Assistant Attorney General

DATED this 27th day of May, 2021.

/s/ Jeanine Couser

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