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### BEFORE THE UTAH INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

UTAH INSURANCE DEPARTMENT, FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ORDER

Complainant,

VS.

FIRST CONTINENTAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INSURANCE COMPANY,

Respondent.

Docket No. 2022-4436

Donald H. Hansen Administrative Law Judge/Presiding Officer

Complainant, Utah Insurance Department ("Department") and Respondent, First

Continental Life & Accident Insurance Company ("Respondent"), have stipulated to entry of the
following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order.

Based upon that stipulation, and good cause appearing, the Presiding Officer makes and enters the following:

### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent is a life insurer domiciled in Texas and authorized to do insurance business in Utah. Respondent holds Utah license number 411.
  - 2. Respondent's mailing address is

- 3. The Department received information during a separate investigation that indicated Respondent had marketed and sold coverage in Utah through the National Association of Preferred Providers, an unapproved association.
  - 4. The Department opened an investigation regarding Respondent in November 2021.
- 5. During the investigation, the Department determined that Respondent had issued certificates to Utah residents for policies that had not been filed in Utah.
- 6. The Department and Respondent have agreed to an administrative forfeiture of \$218,000.00.

# **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. The Utah Insurance Commissioner ("Commissioner") has jurisdiction over the parties and this adjudicative proceeding pursuant to Utah Code §§ 31A-1-105 and 31A-2-201.
- 2. The Commissioner has legal authority to impose penalties on the Department's licensees who violate the Utah Insurance Code. Utah Code § 31A-2-308.
- 3. Respondent violated Utah Code § 31A-21-201(1)(a) when it issued certificates to Utah residents for policies that had not been filed in Utah.
- 4. As penalties for the violations in this case, Respondent should be ordered to pay a forfeiture of \$218,000.00.

### **ORDER**

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, it is hereby Ordered that:

1. Respondent shall pay a forfeiture of \$218,000.00 for the violations described in the Conclusions of Law. The forfeiture shall be paid in full to the Department no later than 30 days

after this order is signed.

2. Respondent shall comply with Utah Code § 31A-21-201(1)(a) and shall file all

necessary forms with the commissioner before using, selling, or offering them for sale.

DATED this 26<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022.

JONATHAN T. PIKE

**Utah Insurance Commissioner** 

/s/ Donald H. Hansen

Donald H Hansen Administrative Law Judge/Presiding Officer Utah Insurance Department

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NOTICE TO RESPONDENT

Failure to obey this Order may subject you to further penalties that include a forfeiture of

up to \$5,000 per violation, with each day of the violation constituting a separate violation. Other

penalties for failing to obey this Order may include license suspension, probation, refusal to

renew, or revocation. Failure to obey this Order may also result in an action taken against you in

a court of competent jurisdiction where forfeitures of up to \$10,000 for each day the failure to

comply continues until judgment is rendered. If you are licensed in other jurisdictions, you may

be required to report this proceeding in those jurisdictions.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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

Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order was emailed to:

Jim Taylor CEO and President First Continental Life & Accident Insurance Company

Helen A. Frohlich Assistant Attorney General hfrohlich@agutah.gov

DATED this 26<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022.

/s/ Jeanine Couser

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