In the Matter of:

KLINE, ANNA

(National Producer No. 20235299)

STATE OF ARIZONA Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions FILED March 16, 2023 by AS

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STATE OF ARIZONA

DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

DEFAULT ORDER

No. 22A-072-INS

Respondent

On February 2, 2023, the Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions (the "Department") issued a Notice of Hearing ("Notice") in the above-captioned matter, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated by this reference. The Notice required Anna Kline ("Respondent") to provide a written answer to the allegations set forth in the Notice within twenty days of the issuance of the Notice. As of this date, Respondent has failed to file an answer. On February 27, 2023, counsel for the Department filed a Motion for Default, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit B. As of this date, Respondent has not responded to the Department's motion. Pursuant to A.A.C. R20-6-106(D), a party that fails to file an answer within the time provided shall be deemed to be in default and one or more of the allegations in the Notice of Hearing may be deemed to be admitted.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Notice was proper.
- 2. Respondent is in default.
- 3. The allegations in the Notice are deemed admitted.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW 1. The conduct alleged in the Notice constitutes grounds for the Director to suspend, revoke or refuse to renew Respondent's license to transact insurance in Arizona, pursuant to A.R.S. §20-295(A). **ORDER** IT IS ORDERED: 1. Anna Kline's Arizona insurance producer license, National Producer No. 20235299, is revoked effective upon the issuance of this Order. 2. The hearing set for March 24, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. shall be vacated. day of March, 2023. Barbara Richardson Barbara D. Richardson, Director Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions

1	COPY of the foregoing electronically filed this 17th day of March, 2023:				
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Exhibit A

1 STATE OF ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS 2 3 In the Matter of: Docket No. 22A-072-INS 4 KLINE, ANNA (National Producer No. 20235299) NOTICE OF HEARING AND 5 COMPLAINT 6 Respondent (ALJ Adam Stone) 7 8 **DIRECTED TO:** 9 Anna Kline 5249 N. Park PL NE 10 Cedar Rapids, IA 52402 Respondent 11 YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that under Arizona Revised Statutes ("A.R.S.") §§ 20-12 161 and 41-1092.01, the above-captioned matter will be conducted through the Office of 13 Administrative Hearings, an independent agency. 14 15 Date of Hearing: March 24, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. 16 Location: 17 Office of Administrative Hearings 1740 W. Adams St. 18 Lower Level Phoenix, AZ 85007 19 Information regarding procedures, practice pointers, or the online filing of motions is 20 available through the Office of Administrative Hearings' website at www.azoah.com, or by 21 22 calling their offices at (602) 542-9826.

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The Office of Administrative Hearings has designated Adam Stone at the address and phone number listed above, as the Administrative Law Judge for these proceedings.

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the Office of Administrative Hearings endeavors to ensure the accessibility of its hearings to all persons with disabilities. Persons with disabilities may request reasonable accommodations such as interpreters, alternative formats, or assistance with physical accessibility. Requests for accommodations should be made as far in advance of the Hearing as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodations. If you require accommodations, please contact the Office of Administrative Hearings by calling their offices at (602) 542-9826.

Under Arizona Administrative Code ("A.A.C.") R2-19-106 and R2-19-110, motions to continue this matter shall be made in writing to the Administrative Law Judge at least fifteen (15) days before the Hearing date, unless good cause is demonstrated. A copy of any motion to continue shall be filed and served according to A.A.C. R2-19-108, with a copy provided to the Assistant Attorney General identified below.

You may appear on the date and at the time and place specified in this Notice of Hearing ("Notice") with or without the assistance of counsel. An insurance company may be represented by a corporate officer A.R.S. § 20-161(B). Additionally, you have the right to present evidence in response to the allegations in this Notice, to have a reasonable opportunity to inspect all documentary evidence, to examine witnesses, to present evidence in support of your interests, and to have subpoenas issued by the Administrative Law Judge to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of evidence. If you fail to appear at the administrative hearing (the "Hearing"), the Administrative Law Judge can proceed with the Hearing and issue a

Recommended Decision. The Director of the Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions (the "Director") can then consider the Recommended Decision and make a final determination on this matter.

Under A.R.S. § 41-1092.07(E), a clear and accurate record of the proceedings will be made by a court reporter or by electronic means. Any party that requests a transcript of the proceedings shall pay the cost of the transcript for the court reporter or other transcriber.

Under A.A.C. R20-6-106, within twenty (20) days after service of a Notice of Hearing, the Respondent shall appear by filing a written Answer to the allegations in the Notice. The Answer shall state Respondent's position or defense and shall specifically admit or deny each assertion in the Notice. Any allegation not denied shall be deemed admitted. Any defense not raised will be considered waived. If a timely Answer is not filed, Respondent may be deemed in default and the Director may deem the allegations in the Notice as true and admitted. Accordingly, the Director may take whatever action is deemed appropriate.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1092.06, the Respondent has the right to request an informal settlement conference ("ISC") by filing a written request with the Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions (the "Department") no later than twenty (20) days before the scheduled hearing. The ISC will be held within fifteen (15) days after receiving the request. If an ISC is requested, a person with the authority to act on behalf of the Department will be present.

Please note that in requesting an ISC, Respondent waives any right to object to the participation of the Department's representative in the final administrative decision of this matter.

Any statements, either written or oral, made by the Department, Respondent, or their

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representatives at an ISC, including a written document created or expressed solely for the 1 2 purpose of settlement negotiations, are inadmissible in any subsequent administrative hearing. 3 See A.R.S. § 41-1092.06. 4 Questions concerning issues raised in this Notice of Hearing should be directed to Assistant Attorney General James Rolstead, 2005 N. Central Ave., Phoenix, Arizona 85004, 5 telephone number (602) 542-7720 or by e-mail at James.Rolstead@azag.gov. 6 The purpose of the Hearing is to determine whether grounds exist to revoke Respondent's 7 insurance producer license. In support of its position that grounds exist, the Department alleges 8 9 the following: 10 **PARTIES & JURISDICTION** 1. 11 The Department was created and enabled to administer certain laws of the State of Arizona by protecting the public interest through licensure and regulation of the insurance 12 producer profession in this state. A.R.S. § 20-142 and A.R.S. §§ 20-281 et seq. 13 2. Anna Kline a/k/a Jordana Weber ("Kline" or "Respondent") is a licensed Arizona 14 non-resident insurance producer, National Producer Number 20235299. 15 3. The Office of Administrative Hearings has subject matter and personal jurisdiction 16 over the named parties in this Notice of Hearing, under A.R.S. § 20-161 and A.R.S. §§ 41-1092 18 et seq. 111 ///

1 **FACTS** 2 4. On February 16, 2022, the Department issued to Kline an Arizona non-resident insurance producer license with a line of authority in life insurance. Kline's license is scheduled 3 4 to expire on July 31, 2025. 5. Kline's home state is Iowa. Her business and mailing address of record with the 5 Department is 5249 N. Park PL. NE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52402. Her email addresses of record 6 are anna@redcardinalinsurance.com and sales@redcardinalinsurance.com. 7 8 Federal Charges Against Jordana Weber a.k.a Anna Kline 6. In an October 16 2022 email, Donna Herbel ("Herbel") forwarded to the 9 Department a report ("Report") she made to the Minnesota Department of Insurance as the 10 11 Designated Licensed Responsible Producer (DLRP) for Red Cardinal Insurance and Financial Services, LLC ("Red Cardinal"), a Minnesota based company. Ms. Herbel states in the Report, 12 "We have learned that Anna Kline is also known as Jordana Weber. Jordana Weber has been 13 charged with financial crimes in 2017 - 2019, and this information was not disclosed by Anna 14 Kline during licensing applications or contracting as an insurance producer." 15 In her email, Ms. Herbel states, "A courtesy copy [of the Report] was . . . provided 7. 16 to the . . . Arizona Department of Insurance . . . because Red Cardinal Insurance & Financial 17 Services, LLC held a non-resident agency producer license in the State of Arizona, and Anna 18 19 Kline (a.k.a. Jordana Weber) is a 50 percent owner of the company." 8. A U.S. Department of Justice press release dated August 1, 2019, states, "Jason M. 20 Torres, 41, and Jordana Weber, 30, of Lake Tahoe, California, are charged by complaint with one 21

count of wire fraud conspiracy and one count of money laundering." A copy of the Criminal

13. In the Application, Ms. Herbel affirmed, "As the authorized submitter, I declare that the applicant provided all the information submitted on this application."

2022 Louisiana Department of Insurance Administrative Action

- 14. A review of the State Licensing Report published on the National Association of Insurance Commissioner's (NAIC) website revealed that on October 20, 2022, the Louisiana Department of Insurance ("LDI") issued a Notice of Summary Suspension of Kline's non-resident insurance producer license ("Notice").
- 15. The Notice alleges that Kline obtained personal information of consumers and submitted applications for life insurance without the consumers' knowledge or consent. The Notice further states that LDI was provided with information "stating that you [Kline] were arrested on August 10, 2022 and charged with falsifying records in a federal investigation in New Jersey."
- 16. Kline did not report the summary suspension of her Louisiana insurance license to the Department within 30 days of the final disposition of the matter.
- 17. On November 29, 2022, the Department sent to Kline's addresses of record via email and certified mail correspondence requesting that she provide a written response to the allegations of providing untruthful information on her Arizona insurance license application. The letter also referenced Kline's failure to report the Louisiana administrative action.
 - 18. Kline never responded to the Department's requests.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

19. The Director has jurisdiction over this matter.

1	ORIGINAL of the foregoing filed electronically this 2 nd day of February, 2023, to:			
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3	Adam Stone, Administrative Law Judge https://portal.azoah.com/submission Office of Administrative Hearings			
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5	the 2 nd day of February, 2023, to:			
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Exhibit B

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Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions
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12	KLINE, ANNA	MOTION FOR DEFAULT				
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14 15	Respondent					
16	The Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions (the "Department"),					
17	by and through undersigned counsel, hereby requests that the Findings of Fact and					
18	Conclusions of Law set forth in the Notice of Hearing and incorporated herein by reference					
19	be entered in this matter, deeming Anna Kline ("Kline") in default, deeming the allegations					
20	set forth in the Notice as true, and ordering that Respondent's insurance license be revoked.					
21	On February 2, 2023, a Notice of Hearing and Complaint ("Notice") was filed in this					
22	matter and served upon Kline at her mailing address of record via regular mail and certified					
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24	mail pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1092.04. The Notice was also sent to Kline via her e-mail					
25	address of record.					

Kline had twenty (20) days from the date of issuance of the Notice to file a written answer to the allegations contained therein pursuant to Arizona Administrative Code ("A.A.C") R20-6-106. As of the date of this Motion, Kline has not filed an answer nor has she appeared through counsel. Rule 20-6-106(D) of the Arizona Administrative Code provides that if an answer is not timely filed, the Respondent shall be deemed in default and the Director may deem the allegations set forth in the Notice of Hearing as true and take whatever action is appropriate including revoking the license.

The allegations supporting the Notice of Hearing are as follows:

- 1. On February 16, 2022, the Department issued to Kline an Arizona non-resident insurance producer license with a line of authority in life insurance. Kline's license is scheduled to expire on July 31, 2025.
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Federal Charges Against Jordana Weber a.k.a Anna Kline

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- 6. A letter dated August 25, 2020, sent by Kline's attorney to the judge assigned to United States v. Jordana Weber, Case No. 2:19-mj-07380 (CLW), states, "Ms. Kline's legal name is Anna Kline, notwithstanding that she is named as 'Jordana Weber' in the government's complaint."

Kline's Arizona Insurance License Application

7. On February 16, 2022, Ms. Herbel submitted Kline's Arizona non-resident insurance producer application to the Department through the National Insurance Producer Registry (the "Application"). Ms. Herbel is identified on the Application as the authorized submitter. Answers to the background questions were based on information provided to Ms. Herbel by Kline.

- 8. Ms. Herbel, on Kline's behalf, answered "No" to background question 1B, which reads in part, "Have you ever been convicted of a felony, had a judgment withheld or deferred, or are you currently charged with committing a felony?"
- 9. Ms. Herbel, on Kline's behalf, answered "Yes" to the "Attestation" section of the Application, which reads in part:
 - "I hereby certify that, under penalty of perjury, all of the information submitted in this application and attachments is true and complete. I am aware that submitting false information or omitting pertinent or material information in connection with this application is grounds for license revocation or denial of the license and may subject me to civil penalties."
- 10. In the Application, Ms. Herbel affirmed, "As the authorized submitter, I declare that the applicant provided all the information submitted on this application."

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CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 16. The Director has jurisdiction over this matter.
- 17. Respondent's conduct, as described above, constitutes providing incorrect, misleading, incomplete or materially untrue information in the license application, within the meaning of A.R.S. § 20-295(A)(1).
- 18. Respondent's conduct, as described above, constitutes violating any provision of Title 20, or any rule, subpoena or order of the Director, within the meaning of A.R.S. § 20-295(A)(2).
- 19. Respondent's conduct, as described above, constitutes failing to report an administrative action in another jurisdiction within 30 days after final disposition of the matter, within the meaning of A.R.S. § 20-301(A).
- 20. Grounds exist for the Director to suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew Respondent's insurance producer license pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 20-295(A)(1), (A)(2) and 20-301(A).