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1 7479C/CPA92-191:bib DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE 2 STATE OF ARIZONA 3 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE 4 In the Matter of: No. 7797 5 DOUGLAS JOSEPH CARPA, individually and dba CENTARE INSURANCE TRUST, 6 DOUG CARPA AGENCY, ASOCIACION ORDER SUMMARILY SUSPENDING BENEFICA DE CHOFERES, UNITED LICENSES AND NOTICE OF INSURANCE GROUP; UNITED INSURANCE OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING GROUP TRUST; GUARDIAN INSURANCE TRUST; AMERICAN COMMON TRUST and SUNSHINE STATE MARKETING TRUST, 9 Respondents. 10 11 The Department of Insurance ("Department") alleging 12below that Respondents have violated the provisions of A.R.S. 13 Title 20, and the Director of Insurance ("Director") finding that 14 the public health, safety and welfare imperatively require 15 emergency action; 16 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED summarily suspending Respondents' 17 Arizona insurance licenses, effective immediately, pending the 18 proceedings for revocation commenced this date. 19 DATED this _30th day of _ July 20 21 22 or ο£ Insurance 23 Pursuant to Titles 20 and 41 of the Arizona Revised 24Statutes, Respondents are hereby notified that the Department 25 alleges the following grounds to suspend, revoke or refuse to

renew Respondents' insurance licenses, and that Respondents are

entitled to request a hearing to contest said allegations. The request for hearing must be in writing and received at the following address within thirty (30) days from the date hereof:

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Arizona Department of Insurance Hearing Division 3030 North Third Street, Suite 1100 Phoenix, Arizona 85012

NOTICE OF APPLICABLE RULES

On January 23, 1992, the Arizona Department of Insurance adopted A.A.C. R4-14-101 through R4-14-115, setting forth the rules of practice and procedure applicable in contested cases before the Director of Insurance. If a hearing is requested, the hearing will be conducted pursuant to these rules.

PURSUANT TO A.A.C. R4-14-106, IF RESPONDENTS REQUEST A HEARING, RESPONDENTS SHALL FILE A WRITTEN ANSWER TO THE ALLEGATIONS, TOGETHER WITH THEIR REQUESTS FOR HEARING AND SHALL MAIL OR DELIVER A COPY OF THE ANSWER TO ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL KATRINA ROGERS, CONSUMER PROTECTION & ANTITRUST SECTION, ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE, 1275 WEST WASHINGTON, PHOENIX, ARIZONA 85007. THE ANSWER SHALL STATE RESPONDENT'S POSITION OR DEFENSE AND SHALL SPECIFICALLY ADMIT OR DENY EACH ASSERTION. ASSERTION NOT DENIED SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE ADMITTED. ANY DEFENSE NOT RAISED IN THE ANSWER SHALL BE DEEMED WAIVED. IF AN ANSWER IS NOT TIMELY FILED, THE RESPONDENT SHALL BE DEEMED IN DEFAULT AND THE DIRECTOR MAY DEEM THE ALLEGATIONS ARE TRUE, AND TAKE WHATEVER ACTION IS APPROPRIATE, INCLUDING SUSPENSION, REVOCATION, DENIAL OF A LICENSE, OR RENEWAL OF A LICENSE, IMPOSITION OF A CIVIL

PENALTY AND/OR ORDER OF RESTITUTION TO ANY PARTY INJURED.

Upon receipt of a timely written request for hearing, the Director will issue a statement setting the time and place of the hearing. If no timely written request for hearing is received, the Director will enter the following allegations as findings of fact and conclusions of law, and will order the revocation of Respondents' insurance licenses together with appropriate civil penalties and restitution as allowed by the law.

The allegations supporting this Order are as follows:

- 1. Douglas Joseph Carpa ("Carpa") is presently, and was at all material times, licensed as a life and disability agent, property and casualty agent, property and casualty broker and surplus lines broker in the state of Arizona (license no. 19073). The life and disability license expires March 31, 1993, the property and casualty agents license, the property and casualty brokers license, and the surplus lines brokers license expire March 31, 1994.
- 2. Carpa has transacted insurance business under his license using the names Doug Carpa Agency, Asociacion Benefica De Choferes, Centare Insurance Trust and United Insurance Group Trust.
- 3. On or about June 11, 1992, Carpa filed a Certificate of Assumed Business Name with the Department to transact insurance business under the name of Centare Insurance Trust.
 - 4. United Insurance Group Trust ("United") is

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presently, and was at all material times, licensed as a life and disability insurance agency and a property and casualty broker in the state of Arizona (license no. 0520569.) United's life and disability insurance agency license expires May 31, 1993 and its property and casualty broker's license expires May 31, 1994.

Carpa is the sponsoring agent/broker and controlling principal of United. Carpa misrepresented that United operated as a partnership in order to qualify for licensing under A.R.S.

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- presently, and was at all material times, licensed as a life and disability insurance agency and a property and casualty broker in the state of Arizona (license no. 794746.) Royal's life and disability insurance agency license expires March 31, 1993 and its property and casualty broker's license expires March 31, 1994. Carpa is the sponsoring agent/broker and controlling principal of Royal. Royal misrepresented that Royal operated as a partnership in order to qualify for licensing under A.R.S. § 20-295.
- 6. American Common Trust ("American") is presently, and was at all material times, licensed as a life and disability insurance agency and a property and casualty broker in the state of Arizona (license no. 567923.) American's life and disability insurance agency license expires January 31, 1993 and its property and casualty broker's license expires January 31, 1994. Carpa is the sponsoring agent/broker and controlling principal of

American. Carpa misrepresented that American operated as a partnership in order to qualify for licensing under A.R.S. § 20-295.

- 7. Sunshine State Marketing Trust ("Sunshine") is presently, and was at all material times, licensed as a life and disability insurance agency in the state of Arizona (license no. 7974.) Sunshine's life and disability insurance agency license expires April 30, 1993. Carpa is the sponsoring agent/broker and controlling principal of Sunshine. Carpa misrepresented that American operated as a partnership in order to qualify for licensing under A.R.S. § 20-295.
- 8. In June 1991, Respondent Carpa was indicted in the United States District Court, Central District of California CR92-484 on charges of conspiracy, mail fraud, and wire fraud in connection with a fraudulent insurance scheme.
- 9. The Department received a complaint against
 Respondents Carpa and United from Fran Percarpio of Wachovia
 Personal Financial Services on May 6, 1992 regarding possible
 fraudulent behavior of Respondent.
- 10. On or about June 15, 1992, the Department issued Carpa a subpoena commanding him to appear before the Arizona Department of Insurance on June 24, 1992 at 2:00 p.m., to testify and give evidence.
- 11. On or about June 24, 1992, Carpa appeared before the Department as commanded. Carpa refused to answer questions or supply requested documents in violation of A.R.S. § 20-160.

Consequently, the Director is unable to determine if Respondents are in compliance with applicable insurance laws. Therefore, the Director has cause to believe that Respondents may cause harm to the public.

- 12. Department records indicated Respondent Carpa listed his social security number as 151-34-6787 on his license application. However, he listed his social security number as 986-03-7826 in license applications with the Virginia Department of Insurance. Respondent Carpa refused to give his social security number during the examination under oath by the Department.
- 13. The conduct described above constitutes wilful violation of or wilful noncompliance with any provision of Title 20, Arizona Revised Statutes, or any lawful rule, regulation or order of the Director within the meaning of A.R.S. § 20-316(A)(2).
- 14. The conduct described in paragraphs 4-7 and 12 constitutes misrepresentation in obtaining an insurance license in violation of A.R.S. § 20-316(A)(3).
- above constitutes a record of dishonesty on the part of Respondent Carpa in business or financial matters in violation of A.R.S. § 20-290(B)(2) which constitutes the existence of any cause for which the original issuance or any renewal of a license could have been refused in violation of A.R.S. § 20-316(A)(1).

WHEREFORE, if Respondents do not request a hearing to contest the above allegations, or if after hearing the Director

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