

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

In the Matter of)	
)	CONSENT ORDER
Andrew Link,)	
NPN 8984169,)	CASE NO. AG-16-618
)	
Respondent.)	

TO: Andrew Link, 1340 West Madison Street, Apt. 3W, Chicago, IL 60607-1977

Insurance Commissioner Adam Hamm (“Commissioner”) has determined as follows:

1. As a result of information obtained by the North Dakota Insurance Department (“Department”) regarding the conduct of Andrew Link, NPN 8984169 (“Respondent”), the Commissioner has considered scheduling a formal hearing to determine whether Respondent’s conduct as alleged constitutes a basis for imposition of a civil penalty or any other action the Commissioner deems necessary. As more fully described below, Respondent’s conduct is alleged to be in violation of N.D.C.C. §§ 26.1-26-15 and 26.1-26-42(1).

2. N.D.C.C. § 26.1-26-15 requires that an applicant for any license must be deemed by the Commissioner to be competent, trustworthy, financially responsible, and of good personal and business reputation.

3. N.D.C.C. § 26.1-26-42 states, in part:

The commissioner may suspend, revoke, place on probation, or refuse to continue or refuse to issue any

license issued under this chapter if, after notice to the licensee and hearing, the commissioner finds as to the licensee any of the following conditions:

1. A materially untrue statement in the license application.
4. Respondent has been licensed as a nonresident insurance producer in North Dakota since November 13, 2012.
5. On or about February 16, 2016, the Department received notification that Respondent submitted documentation to the National Association of Insurance Commissioners Attachment Warehouse regarding a 2000 conviction for Criminal Destruction of Property and a 2002 conviction for Possession of Cannabis. A review of Respondent's licensing record revealed that Respondent failed to disclose the criminal convictions on his original application in 2012 and on his renewal application in 2014. Respondent's failure to disclose criminal convictions on a license application is in violation of N.D.C.C. §§ 26.1-26-15 and 26.1-26-42(1).
6. Respondent's actions constitute violations of N.D.C.C. §§ 26.1-26-15 and 26.1-26-42(1).
7. Respondent acknowledges that at the time of signing the Consent to Entry of Order, he was aware of or had been advised of the right to a hearing in this matter, to consult an attorney, to present argument to the Commissioner, to appeal from any adverse determination after a hearing, and Respondent expressly waives those rights.
8. Respondent has agreed to informal disposition of this matter, without a hearing, as provided under N.D.C.C. § 28-32-22.
9. For purposes of resolving this matter without further administrative proceedings, Respondent has agreed to enter into the following order.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. Respondent agrees to pay a fine in the amount of \$400 payable by money order, cashier's check, or credit card to the North Dakota Insurance Department within 20 days of the effective date of this Order.

2. The use of this Consent Order for competitive purposes by an insurance agent or agency holding a license in the State of North Dakota, or by any company holding a Certificate of Authority, or by anyone on their behalf, may be deemed unfair competition and be grounds for suspension or revocation of said license or authority.

DATED at Bismarck, North Dakota, this 24th day of June, 2016.



Adam Hamm
Insurance Commissioner
State of North Dakota

CONSENT TO ENTRY OF ORDER

The undersigned, **Andrew Link**, states that he has read the foregoing Consent Order, that he knows and fully understands its contents and effect; that he has been advised of the right to a hearing in this matter, the right to be represented by legal counsel, the right to present evidence and arguments to the Commissioner, and the right to appeal from an adverse determination after hearing; and that by the signing of this Consent to Entry of Order he waives those rights in their entirety, and consents to entry of this Order by the Commissioner. It is further expressly understood that this

Order constitutes the entire settlement agreement between the parties, there being no other promises or agreements, either expressed or implied.

DATED this 14th day of June, 2016.



Andrew Link

County of Cook
State of Illinois

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of June, 2016.



Notary Public

My commission expires:

