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#### STATE OF ARIZONA

#### DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

In the Matter of:

RIOS, MARYULI

(National Producer No. 16699034)

No. 22A-036-INS

**DEFAULT ORDER** 

# Respondent

On August 2, 2022, 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 Maryuli Rios ("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 August 29, 2022, 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. The Department has a reason to believe that Respondent failed to maintain current contact information on record with the Department. 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.
- 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. The insurance license held by Respondent Maryuli Rios is revoked effective upon the issuance of this Order.
  - 2. The hearing set for September 15, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. shall be vacated.

DATED this 14th day of September, 2022.

Evan G. Daniels, Director Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions

1	COPY of the foregoing electronically filed this 14 <sup>th</sup> day of September, 2022 to:		
2	Jenna Clark, Administrative Law Judge		
3	https://portal.azoah.com/submission Office of Administrative Hearings		
4	COPY of the foregoing emailed same date to:		
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7	Ana Starcevic, Paralegal Project Specialist Wendy Greenwood, Investigations Supervisor		
8	Steven Fromholtz, Division Manager, Licensing Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions		
9	James Rolstead, Assistant Attorney General  AdminLaw@azag.gov  Attorney for the Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions		
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Exhibit A

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# **DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS**

In the Matter of:

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**MARYULI RIOS** 

(National Producer No. 16699034)

Respondent.

Docket No. 22A-036-INS

NOTICE OF HEARING AND COMPLAINT

(ALJ Jenna Clark)

**DIRECTED TO:** 

Maryuli Rios 1936 Del Mar Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89169-1708 Respondent

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that under Arizona Revised Statutes ("A.R.S.") §§ 20-

161 and 41-1092.01, the above-captioned matter will be conducted through the Office of

Administrative Hearings, an independent agency.

Date of Hearing: September 15, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.

Location:
Office of Administrative Hearings
1740 W. Adams St.
Lower Level
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Information regarding procedures, practice pointers, or the online filing of motions is available through the Office of Administrative Hearings' website at <a href="www.azoah.com">www.azoah.com</a>, or by calling their offices at (602) 542-9826.

The Office of Administrative Hearings has designated Jenna Clark 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 representatives at an ISC, including a written document created or expressed solely for the purpose of settlement negotiations, are inadmissible in any subsequent administrative hearing. See A.R.S. § 41-1092.06.

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, telephone number (602) 542-7720 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:James.Rolstead@azag.gov">James.Rolstead@azag.gov</a>.

The purpose of the Hearing is to determine whether grounds exist to revoke Respondent's insurance producer license. In support of its position that grounds exist, the Department alleges the following:

# PARTIES & JURISDICTION

- 1. 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 producer profession in this state. A.R.S. § 20-142 and A.R.S. §§ 20-281 et seq.
- 2. Maryuli Rios ("Rios" or "Respondent") is licensed in Arizona as a non-resident insurance producer, National Producer Number 16699034.
- 3. The Office of Administrative Hearings has subject matter and personal jurisdiction over the named parties in this Notice of Hearing, under A.R.S. § 20-161 and A.R.S. §§ 41-1092 et seq.

#### **FACTS**

- 4. On February 2, 2016, the Department issued to Rios an Arizona non-resident insurance producer license, National Producer Number 16699034, with lines of authority in (1) property, (2) casualty, (3) life, and (4) accident and health or sickness insurance. Rios's license is scheduled to expire on May 31, 2023.
- 5. Rios's business and mailing address of record with the Department is 1936 Del Mar Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada 89169-1708. Her business email address of record with the Department is <a href="mailto:Rios.Maryj@gmail.com">Rios.Maryj@gmail.com</a>.
- 6. On January 3, 2022, the Nevada Department of Business and Industry, Division of Insurance ("Nevada Insurance Division") issued a Final Order of the Commissioner revoking Rios's Nevada resident producer license.
- 7. On February 14, 2022, the Department received notice of the Nevada license revocation.
- 8. On June 21, 2022, the Department sent an email to Rios notifying her that it was aware her Nevada license had been revoked and that she no longer met the requirement of maintaining her resident license in good standing. The Department offered Rios a Consent Order for surrender of her Arizona license and requested that she respond by June 28, 2022.
  - 9. Rios did not respond to the email.
- 10. On June 28, 2022, an investigator for the Department called the business and personal telephone number of record for Rios, but was told that she had called a wrong number.
- 11. On June 30, 2022, the investigator located another telephone number associated with American Insurance Solutions Inc., a business entity organized by Rios in 2015, according

to information on the Nevada Secretary of State's website. When the investigator tried calling this number, a generic messaged stated, "The number you have dialed is not in service or is assigned in a different area code."

12. Also on June 30, 2022, the Department sent a second email to Rios at her email address of record as well as an alternative email address that was found through the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' website. Rios failed to respond to this email as well.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 13. The Director has jurisdiction over this matter.
- 14. Respondent's conduct, as described above, constitutes failing to maintain a license in good standing in the person's home state, within the meaning of A.R.S. § 20-287(A)(1).
- 15. 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).
- 16. 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).
- 17. Grounds exist for the Director to suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew Respondent's insurance license, pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 20-287(A)(1), 20-295(A)(2), and 20-301(A).

THEREFORE, on the basis of the foregoing, the Department requests:

1. Respondent Maryuli Rios's Arizona non-resident insurance producer license, National Producer Number 16699034, be revoked under those statutes and rules cited, and any other applicable statutes or rules.

DATED this 1st day of August, 2022.

# Gio Espinosa

Gio Espinosa, Regulatory Legal Affairs Officer Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions

1	ORIGINAL of the foregoing filed electronically this 2 <sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2022, to:
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3	Jenna Clark, Administrative Law Judge <a href="https://portal.azoah.com/submission">https://portal.azoah.com/submission</a> Office of Administrative Hearings
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5	COPY of the foregoing delivered the 2 <sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2022, to:
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7	Gio Espinosa, Regulatory Legal Affairs Officer Deian Ousounov, Assistant Director Ana Starcevic, Paralegal Project Specialist
8	Steven Fromholtz, Licensing Division Manager
9	Wendy Greenwood, Investigations Supervisor Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions
10	100 North 15th Avenue, Suite 261 Phoenix, Arizona 85007
11	COPY mailed the 2 <sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2022, by
12	Regular Mail and Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, to: (Receipt No. 9489 0090 0027 6384 9748 10)
13	Maryuli Rios 1936 Del Mar Avenue
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Exhibit B

# STATE OF ARIZONA Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions FILED August 29, 2022 by AS

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17	The Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions (the "Department"),				
18	by and through undersigned counsel, hereby requests that the Findings of Fact and				
19	Conclusions of Law set forth in the Notice of Hearing and incorporated herein by reference				
20	be entered in this matter, deeming Maryuli Rios ("Rios") in default, deeming the allegations				
21	set forth in the Notice as true, and ordering that Respondent's insurance license be revoked.				
22	On August 2, 2022, a Notice of Hearing and Complaint ("Notice") was filed in this				
23	matter and served upon Rios at her mailing add	lress of record via regular mail and certified			
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25	mail pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1092.04. The Notice was also sent to Rios via her e-mail				
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address of record.

Rios 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, Rios 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:

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Based upon the foregoing, the Department respectfully requests that the allegations set forth in the August 2, 2022 Notice of Hearing and Complaint be deemed admitted and that Respondent's insurance license be revoked.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this <u>29th</u> day of August, 2022.

MARK BRNOVICH, Attorney General

By /s/ James Rolstead

James Rolstead, Assistant Attorney General Attorney for the Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions

1	COPY of the foregoing electronically filed this		
2	29th day of August, 2022 with:		
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