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Illinois Department of Insurance Disciplinary Report for December 2011

CHICAGO – February 24, 2012. The Illinois Department of Insurance announced today the following disciplinary orders:

Priscilla Nicole McCants, Blue Island – Insurance producer license issued effective October 4, 2011. Ms. McCants was granted an insurance producer license to sell life, casualty, fire and health insurance pursuant to a Director's Order resulting from Hearing #10-HR-1500. The hearing was held regarding a Letter of Denial issued by the Director of Insurance dated November 23, 2010. The Letter of Denial was issued as a result of an investigation revealing Ms. McCants had been convicted of a felony (Forgery – Makes or Alters Documents) in 1995 and failed to reveal the felony on two applications for her license. The Director's Order allowed her to obtain a license, but also required her to pay the hearing costs of \$282.25 and a \$2000 civil penalty.

Michael S. Fortner, Rockford – Insurance producer license application denied effective January 3, 2012. Mr. Fortner applied for a license to sell life, fire and health insurance. The license application was denied as a result of a Department investigation revealing he was convicted of felony Forgery in 2009.

Doris J. Mers, Newport News, (VA) – Insurance producer license revoked effective January 3, 2011. Ms. Mers had been licensed to sell life and health insurance since April 15, 2010. Ms. Mers license was revoked as a result of an investigation in which she failed to facilitate and aid the Director in the investigation. The Order of Revocation included a \$5000 civil penalty.

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The Department's mission is to protect consumers by providing assistance and information, by efficiently regulating the insurance industry's market behavior and financial solvency, and by fostering a competitive insurance marketplace. The Department assists consumers with all insurance complaints, including health, auto, life, and homeowner. Consumers in need of information or assistance should visit the Department's web site at insurance.illinois.gov or call our toll-free hotline at (866) 445-5364.

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