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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY  
LAW DIVISION - ATLANTIC COUNTY  
DOCKET NO. ATL-L-003961-21

MARLENE CARIDE, )  
COMMISSIONER OF THE )  
NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF )  
BANKING & INSURANCE, )

Plaintiff, )  
)

v. )

MICHELE GRIFFIN, )  
Defendant. )

**Civil Action**

**ORDER OF FINAL JUDGEMNT  
BY DEFAULT**

THIS MATTER HAVING BEEN opened to the Court on the application of Matthew J. Platkin, Acting Attorney General of New Jersey, (by Anna M. Lascurain, Deputy Attorney General, appearing), attorney for Plaintiff, Marlene Caride, Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance on a motion for final judgment by default; and

The Defendant, Michele Griffin (“Defendant”), having been duly served with a copy of the Summons and Complaint in the above-entitled action and having been defaulted for failure to appear, answer or otherwise defend;

This Court now finds that Defendant violated the New Jersey Insurance Fraud Prevention Act, for altering billing forms used by institutional providers in order to falsely seek payment for medical services from American Family Life Assurance Company (“AFLAC”) for purported treatment from three separate providers from October 20, 2015 through December 30, 2015 which did not occur, in violation of the New Jersey Insurance Fraud Prevention Act, N.J.S.A. 17:33A-1 to -30 (“Fraud Act”).

FINAL JUDGMENT is on this 22 day of July 2022, entered in the amount of \$33,315.00 against Defendant Michele Griffin, and in favor of the Plaintiff, Marlene Caride, Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance. This amount consists of \$30,000.00 in civil penalties for three violations of the New Jersey Insurance Fraud Prevention Act, N.J.S.A. 17:33A-1 to -30; attorneys’ fees of \$2,235.00 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5; cost of service in the amount of \$80.00 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5; and a statutory fraud surcharge of \$1,000.00 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-5.1.

A copy of this order shall be served on all parties within seven days via eCourts or by regular mail to any party not served by eCourts.

/s/ Stanley L. Bergman, Jr.  
STANLEY L. BERGMAN, JR., J.S.C.

MOTION UNOPPOSED

Having reviewed the above motion, I find it to be meritorious on its face and is unopposed. Pursuant to R.1:6-2, it therefore will be granted essentially for the reasons set forth in the moving papers.