

State of Missouri

DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION

IN RE:)	
DANIEL EVERETT WALKER,)	Case No. 170823357C
Applicant.)	

ORDER REFUSING TO ISSUE NON-RESIDENT INSURANCE PRODUCER LICENSE

On August 22, 2018, the Consumer Affairs Division submitted a petition to the Director alleging cause to refuse to issue a non-resident insurance producer license to Daniel Everett Walker. After reviewing the Petition, the Investigative Report, and the entirety of the file, the Director issues the following findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order:

STTEMENTS OF FACT

- 1. Daniel Everett Walker ("Walker") is an Illinois resident with a residential, business, and mailing address of 1101 Waters Edge Road, Champaign, Illinois 61822.
- 2. On May 19, 2016, the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration ("Department") received Walker's electronic application for an individual non-resident insurance producer license ("Application").
- 3. Background Question No. 1B of the Application asked the following:

Have you ever been convicted of a felony, had a judgment withheld or deferred, or are you currently charged with committing a felony? You may exclude juvenile adjudications (offenses where you were adjudicated delinquent in a juvenile court)[.]

- 4. Walker answered "yes" in response to Background Question No. 1B of the Application.
- 5. Along with his Application, Walker submitted a letter and court documents disclosing the following criminal history:
 - a. On July 20, 1995, Walker was charged with Burglary, a class two felony, in violation of 720 ILCS 5/19-1. On January 6, 1998 Walker pled guilty and was convicted. The Court

¹ All criminal statutory references are to those statutes contained in the version of the Illinois Compiled Statutes under which the court rendered judgment.

sentenced Walker to 30 months' probation. *Illinois v. Daniel E. Walker*, Cook Co. Cir. Ct., Case No. 95C66064301.

- b. On February 6, 1997, Walker pled guilty to and was convicted of one count of Forgery, a class three felony, in violation of 720 ILCS 5/17-3(a)(2). The court sentenced Walker to 24 months' conditional discharge. *Illinois v. Daniel E. Walker*, Champaign Co. Cir. Ct., Case No. 1996CF1049B.
- 6. On June 23, 2016, the Indiana Commissioner of Insurance issued a Preliminary Administrative Order and Notice of License Denial, notifying Walker that his application for a non-resident insurance producer license had been denied because Walker had been convicted of the felony of forgery. *In re Ins. Producer License Application of Daniel Walker*, Ind. Comm'r of Ins., Cause. No. 15418-AD16-0614-042.
- 7. On September 29, 2016, the Arkansas Insurance Department notified Walker that his application to obtain an insurance producer license in Arkansas had been denied due to felony convictions involving breach of trust. Letter from Ark. Ins. Dep't to Daniel Everett Walker, Re: Application for Nonresident Producer's License (Sept. 29, 2016).
- 8. On November 2, 2016, the Acting Director of the Illinois Department of Insurance issued an Order of Revocation/Refusal to Renew, revoking Walker's Illinois Insurance Producer License. See, Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommendations of the Hearing Officer, Revocation of Licensing Authority of Daniel E. Walker, Ill. Dep't of Ins., Hearing No. 17-HR-00013. On October 27, 2017, after a hearing on the matter, the Director of the Illinois Department of Insurance affirmed such revocation. Revocation of Licensing Authority of Daniel E. Walker, Ill. Dep't of Ins., Hearing No. 17-HR-00013.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

9. Section 375.141.1² provides, in relevant part:

The director may suspend, revoke, refuse to issue or refuse to renew an insurance producer license for any one or more of the following causes:

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(6) Having been convicted of a felony or crime involving moral turpitude; [or]

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- (9) Having an insurance producer license, or its equivalent, denied, suspended or revoked in any other state, province, district or territory[.]
- 10. The Director may refuse to issue a non-resident insurance producer license to Walker pursuant to § 375.141.1(6) because Walker has been convicted of two felonies or crimes involving moral turpitude, specifically:

² All statutory references are to the Revised Statutes of Missouri (2016), unless otherwise indicated.

- a. Burglary, a class two felony, in violation of 720 ILCS 5/19-1. *Illinois v. Daniel E. Walker*, Cook Co. Cir. Ct., Case No. 95C66064301.
- b. Forgery, a class three felony, in violation of 720 ILCS 5/17-3(a)(2). *Illinois v. Daniel E. Walker*, Champaign Co. Cir. Ct., Case No. 1996CF1049B.
- 11. Each instance in which Walker has been convicted of a felony or crime involving moral turpitude constitutes a separate and independent cause for refusal under § 375.141.1(6).
- 12. The Director may refuse to issue a non-resident insurance producer license to Walker pursuant to § 375.141.1(9) because Walker has been denied an insurance producer license in Indiana and Arkansas and had his insurance producer license revoked in his home state of Illinois. In re Ins. Producer License Application of Daniel Walker, Ind. Comm'r of Ins., Cause. No. 15418-AD16-0614-042; Letter from Ark. Ins. Dep't to Daniel Everett Walker, Re: Application for Nonresident Producer's License (Sept. 29, 2016); Revocation of Licensing Authority of Daniel E. Walker, Ill. Dep't of Ins., Hearing No. 17-HR-00013.
- 13. Each instance in which Walker has had an insurance producer license denied, suspended or revoked in another state constitutes a separate and independent cause for refusal under § 375.141.1(9).
- 14. The Director has considered Walker's history and all of the circumstances surrounding his Application and exercises her discretion to refuse to issue Walker a non-resident insurance producer license.
- 15. This order is in the public interest.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Daniel Everett Walker's non-resident insurance producer license application is hereby REFUSED.

SO ORDERED.

WITNESS MY HAND THIS 23 DAY OF Live

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DIRECTOR

NOTICE

TO: Applicant and any unnamed persons aggrieved by this Order:

You may request a hearing in this matter. You may do so by filing a complaint with the Administrative Hearing Commission of Missouri, P.O. Box 1557, Jefferson City, Missouri, within 30 days after the mailing of this notice pursuant to Section 621.120, RSMo. Pursuant to 1 CSR 15-3.290, unless you send your complaint by registered or certified mail, it will not be considered filed until the Administrative Hearing Commission receives it.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 24th day of August, 2018, a copy of the foregoing Order and Notice was served upon the Applicant in this matter by UPS, to the following address:

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