

# **Consensual Agreement and Undertaking**

Between

## The Complaints and Investigation Committee of The Hail Insurance Council of Saskatchewan (the Committee)

And

### Jeffrey John Irwin

The Committee is authorized under Bylaw 7, Section 5, subsection 3, subparagraph (b), to enter into consensual resolutions of complaints.

Bylaw 5, Section 1, subsection 1 reads: "The administrator shall, in addition to the requirements for the contents of a register required by the Act and the regulations, record on the register the existence and results of all disciplinary decisions or orders, court orders, alternative dispute resolution agreements, undertakings and mediation agreements involving a licensee or a person to whom the Hail Insurance Council of Saskatchewan (Council) has the authority to issue a licence." Disciplinary actions as described are reported on the Insurance Councils of Saskatchewan website and the Canadian Insurance Regulators Disciplinary Actions (CIRDA) database.

#### Jeffrey John Irwin (Mr. Irwin) acknowledges and agrees that:

- 1. He violated Council Bylaws when:
  - A. Contrary to Bylaw 8, Section 1, subsection (a) he:
    - Acted contrary to the best interests of the consumer, or licencees or insurance companies.
  - B. Contrary to Bylaw 8, Section 2 (d) he failed to exercise due diligence, resulting in a material mis-statements in an application for licence or reports to continue a licence;
    - i. When he confirmed he had maintained a valid policy of errors and omissions ("E&O") insurance, knowing he neglected to renew his E&O insurance on April 1, 2018.

- ii. When on May 27, 2018, he declared all statements and answers on the 2018 Online Annual Reporting form were true and correct
- C. Contrary to Bylaw 8, section 2 (g) a licencee may be guilty of misconduct if the licencee: violates any provision of the Act, the regulations or the bylaws;
  - i. When contrary to Schedule A, Part II, Section 4, subsection (1) he failed to maintain a valid policy of errors and omissions insurance;
    - a) When on April 1, 2018 he allowed his E&O to lapse while his licence remained active.
    - b) E&O was re-established on April 13, 2018.
    - c) Mr. Irwin was without E&O coverage for 12 days and;
  - ii. When contrary to Schedule A, Part II, Section 4, subsection (2) he failed to immediately notify council in the event of a cancellation or non-renewal of his errors and omissions insurance.
  - iii. When contrary to Bylaw 2, Section 1, subsection (4) (d) he failed to immediately notify Council of cancellation or non-renewal of his errors and omissions insurance.
- D. Contrary to Bylaw 8, Section 2, subsection (q) he:
  - Failed to follow sound business practices.

#### Mr. Irwin acknowledges and agrees that:

- 2. His rights to appear before a Discipline Committee of Council have been explained to him and he fully understands his rights and/or obligations under Council Bylaw 10;
- 3. He waives his rights to appear before a Discipline Committee and undertakes not to exercise any appeal rights he may have under Council Bylaw 10, Section 3 of *The Saskatchewan Insurance Act*, (the Act) as it relates to matters set out in this Consensual Agreement and Undertaking (Agreement).
- 4. This Agreement does not preclude Council from pursuing any other investigation against Mr. Irwin for activities not identified in this Agreement that may be in violation of Council Bylaws or the Act.
- 5. Mr. Irwin has been advised by the Committee that it is in his interests to obtain independent legal advice before entering into this Agreement.

- a. Mr. Irwin has obtained such independent legal advice and is satisfied with the same, prior to executing this Agreement, or
- b. Mr. Irwin has willingly chosen not to obtain such advice prior to executing this Agreement.
- 6. Mr. Irwin hereby affirms that he has read and understand the terms of this Agreement, and is signing it voluntarily and of his own free will.

### Mr. Irwin having waived his rights, undertakes to:

- i. Pay a fine in the amount of \$297.00;
- ii. Reimburse Council's cost of investigation in the amount of \$330.00.
- iii. Pay all fines and investigative costs within 30 days of receipt of this Agreement.
- iv. Mr. Irwin will ensure E&O insurance is in place while he continues to hold an insurance licence in Saskatchewan.

### The Committee's Agreement:

- 1. The Committee agrees to accept from Mr. Irwin the payment of \$627.00 as full and final resolution of the violations of Council's Bylaws as outlined in this Agreement; and
- 2. The Committee further agrees to take no further action against Mr. Irwin for the acknowledged violations of Council's Bylaws that are set out in this Agreement.

Dated at <u>Eston</u>, in the province of, <u>Saskatchewan</u>, this <u>12th</u> day of <u>July</u>, <u>2018</u>.

Originally Signed by Jeffrey John Irwin

Dated at <u>Regina</u>, in the province of, <u>Saskatchewan</u>, this <u>17th</u> day of <u>July</u>, <u>2018.</u>

Originally Signed by

Rodney Schoettler, Chair, Complaints and Investigation Committee Hail Insurance Council of Saskatchewan