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# BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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In Re: Declaration of Emergency	)	INSURANCE COMMISSIONER
Pursuant to Section 6218 of the	ý	Case No.09-0185-PRJ OKLAHOMA
Oklahoma Insurance Code.	)	

### **DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY AND ORDER**

COMES NOW on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2009, the State of Oklahoma, ex rel. Kim Holland, Insurance Commissioner, by and through Karl F. Kramer, Deputy Insurance Commissioner, and issues this order based upon the following findings and conclusions of law, to wit:

#### **JURISDICTION**

- 1. That Kim Holland is the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oklahoma and as such is charged with the duty of administering and enforcing all provisions of the Oklahoma Insurance Code, 36 O.S. §§ 101-7004
- 2. That pursuant to Section 6218 of Title 36 of the Oklahoma Statutes, in the event of a catastrophe, the Insurance Commissioner may declare an emergency to exist, and in the event of such a declaration, the Commissioner may issue a license as an emergency adjuster to any resident or non resident application.
- 3. That pursuant to Oklahoma Insurance Department General Administrative order 08-0634-PMT, the Insurance Commissioner delegated to Deputy Insurance Commissioner Karl F. Kramer all powers and authority to issue orders consistent with the Oklahoma Insurance Code.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

That on or around February 10<sup>th</sup> through 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009, severe storms caused widespread damage to the people and property of the State of Oklahoma, resulting in a catastrophe in the State of Oklahoma.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. That, pursuant to Section 6218, of Title 36, in the event of a catastrophe, the Insurance Commissioner may declare an emergency to exist, and in the event of such a declaration, the Commissioner may issue a license as an emergency adjuster to any resident or nonresident applicant.
- 2. That, pursuant to Section 6218 of Title 36, an individual licensed as an emergency adjuster pursuant to Section 6218 may only adjust claims related to the catastrophe.
- 3. That, pursuant to Section 6218 of Title 36, a license as an emergency adjuster shall remain in force for not more than ninety (90) days from the date of issue, unless extended for an additional ninety (90) days by the Commissioner.
- 4. That, pursuant to Section 6218 of Title 36, the Insurance Commissioner should declare that an emergency exists.

#### ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE DECLARED AND ORDERED by the Insurance Commissioner that an emergency exists due to a catastrophe caused by severe storms causing widespread damage to the people of and property of the State of Oklahoma, resulting in a catastrophe in the State of Oklahoma.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that licenses shall be issued to emergency adjusters pursuant to Section 6218 of Title 36 of the Oklahoma Insurance Code to adjust losses occurring as a result of the storms on or around February 10, 2009 through February 11, 2009.

WITNESS My Hand and Official Seal the day of Almany 2009.

DÈPUTY INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

## **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above forgoing Declaration of Emergency and Order was sent by facsimile on February \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2009 to:

Bob Mitchell (918) 621-3099

and was hand delivered to:

The Producer Licensing Division of the Oklahoma Insurance Department

KARL F. KRAMER, Esq.

**Deputy Insurance Commissioner**