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In the Matter of	)	No. D 98 - 15
Tom F. Smeeth,	)	ORDER REVOKING LICENSE
Licensee.	)	

To: Tom F. Smeeth
15355 Sunrise Drive SE
Bainbridge Island, WA 98110

IT IS ORDERED AND YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that your agent's license is REVOKED, effective May 19, 1998, pursuant to RCW 48.17.530 and 48.17.540(2).

THIS ORDER IS BASED ON THE FOLLOWING GROUNDS:

On March 18, 1998, the Commissioner sent you a questionnaire regarding your activities as an agent of the Prudential Insurance Company of America issued pursuant to an Order of the Honorable Alfred M. Wolin, Judge of the United States District Court for New Jersey. In a letter accompanying this information, the Commissioner advised you that you must complete and return the questionnaire prior to April 8, 1998. A second letter reminding you of this requirement was sent on April 15, 1998. Your failure to respond to these requests violates RCW 48.17.475 which requires that insurance agents respond promptly, in writing, to any inquiry from the Commissioner relative to the business of insurance.

The above conduct constitutes wilful violation, or knowing participation in the violation, of the Insurance Code or proper orders or regulations of the Commissioner within the meaning of RCW 48.17.530(1)(b). By the above conduct, you have shown yourself to be incompetent or untrustworthy or a source of injury and loss to the public within the meaning of RCW 48.17.530(1)(h).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that you return your insurance agent's license licenses to the Commissioner on or within ten days after, the effective date of the revocation of your license, as required by RCW 48.17.530(4).

NOTICE CONCERNING YOUR RIGHT TO A HEARING. If you are aggrieved by this Order, RCW 48.04.010 permits you to demand a hearing. Pursuant to that statute and others: You must demand a hearing, in writing, within 90 days after this Order was mailed to you, or your right to a hearing will be deemed to have been waived.

Your demand for a hearing must specify in what respects you are aggrieved and the grounds to be relied upon as basis for the relief to be demanded at the hearing. If your demand for a hearing is received by the commissioner before the effective date of the revocation, the revocation will be stayed pending the hearing, pursuant to RCW 48.04.020. Upon receipt of a demand for hearing, the commissioner will mail you a notice concerning the time, place and details of the hearing. You are advised that the commissioner may levy a fine against you, pursuant to RCW 48.17.560, in addition to or in lieu of the suspension or revocation of your license, in the event of a hearing, if any grounds relied upon in this Order are sustained.

ENTERED AT LACEY, WASHINGTON, on April 29, 1998.

DEBORAH SENN
Insurance Commissioner

By

WILLIAM E. FRANDSEN
Deputy Commissioner

Investigator: Allen Morrow