

STATE OF INDIANA )  
 ) SS:  
COUNTY OF MARION )

BEFORE THE INDIANA  
COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE  
CAUSE NO. 15189-AG16-0531-126

IN THE MATTER OF: )  
 )  
The Jones Abstract and Title Company, Inc. )  
313 Warren Street )  
Huntington, IN 46750 )  
 )  
Respondent. )  
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Type of Agency Action: Title Enforcement )  
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Indiana Insurance License No.: 30784 )

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**FINAL ORDER**

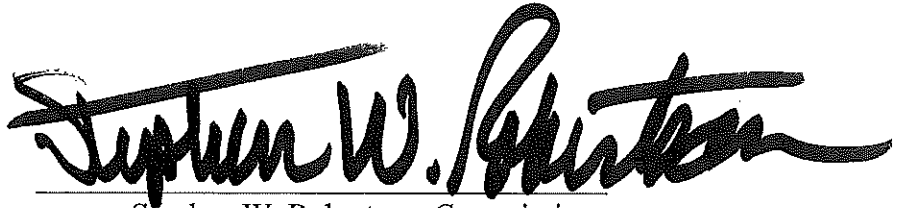
The Indiana Department of Insurance (“Department”), by its counsel, Cathleen Nine-  
Altevogt, and The Jones Abstract and Title Company, Inc. (“Respondent”), a resident licensed  
title insurance agency, signed an Agreed Entry which purports to resolve all issues involved in  
the action by the Department and which has been submitted to the Commissioner of Insurance  
 (“Commissioner”) for approval.

The Commissioner, after reviewing the Agreed Entry, finds it has been entered into fairly  
and without fraud, duress or undue influence, and is fair and equitable between the parties. The  
Commissioner hereby incorporates the Agreed Entry as if fully set forth herein, and approves  
and adopts in full the Agreed Entry as a resolution of this matter.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Commissioner:

1. Respondent shall pay an administrative penalty in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to the Department, for delays in the issuance of sixty-five (65) final policies in excess of forty-five (45) days after closing. This amount is due in full within thirty (30) days after the signing of this Final Order.

ALL OF WHICH IS ORDERED this 30 day of June, 2016.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Stephen W. Robertson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a prominent horizontal line across the top.

Stephen W. Robertson, Commissioner  
Indiana Department of Insurance

Distribution:

The Jones Abstract and Title Company, Inc.  
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Huntington, IN 46750

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**AGREED ENTRY**

This Agreed Entry is executed by the Indiana Department of Insurance (“Department”), by counsel, Cathleen Nine-Altevogt, and The Jones Abstract and Title Company, (“Respondent”), a title insurance agency licensed to do business in Indiana, to resolve all issues in the above captioned matter. This Agreed Entry is subject to the review and approval of Stephen W. Robertson, Commissioner, Indiana Department of Insurance (“Commissioner”).

WHEREAS, Respondent is a resident title insurance agency licensed in the State of Indiana, holding license number 30784;

WHEREAS, the National Association of Insurance Commissioners guidelines provides that “final policies need to be issued within forty-five (45) days;”

WHEREAS, Respondent failed to issue sixty five (65) final policies within forty five (45) days;

WHEREAS, C. Michael Nichols, Owner of The Jones Abstract and Title Company, is authorized to act on behalf of Respondent and obligate it to perform in accordance with this agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Department and Respondent desire to resolve their differences and settle their issues without incurring the time and expense of a hearing;

IT IS, THEREFORE, NOW AGREED by and between the parties as follows:

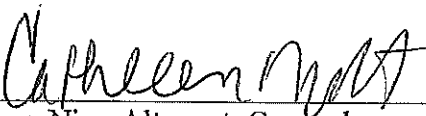
1. The Commissioner has jurisdiction over the subject matter and Respondent in this administrative action.
2. This Agreed Entry is executed voluntarily by the parties.
3. Respondent voluntarily and freely waives the right to a public hearing in this matter.
4. Respondent voluntarily and freely waives the right to judicial review of this matter.
5. Respondent agrees to pay an administrative penalty in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to the Department within thirty (30) days of the Commissioner's Final Order adopting this Agreed Entry.
6. Nothing in this Agreed Entry will be deemed or asserted to be an admission by The Jones Abstract and Title Company or evidence of any liability and/or wrongdoing.
7. The Department agrees to accept Respondent's compliance with the Agreed Entry herein as full satisfaction of this matter.
8. Respondent has carefully read and examined this Agreed Entry and fully understands its terms.

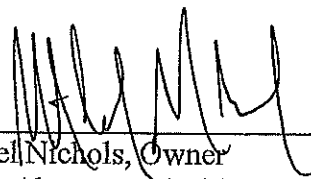
9. Respondent has entered into this Agreed Entry freely, and has not been subject to duress, threat or undue influence.
10. Should this Agreed Entry not be accepted by the Commissioner, it is agreed that presentation to and consideration of this Agreed Entry by the Commissioner shall not unfairly or illegally prejudice the Commissioner from further participation in or resolution of these proceedings.
11. Respondent is aware that failure to comply with any term of this agreement will result in the matter being set for hearing.

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Date Signed

6-16-16

Date Signed

  
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Cathleen Nine-Altevogt, Counsel  
Indiana Department of Insurance

  
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C. Michael Nichols, Owner  
The Jones Abstract and Title Company, Inc

STATE OF INDIANA )  
COUNTY OF Hamilton ) SS:

Before me a Notary Public for Hamilton County, State of Indiana, personally appeared C. Michael Nichols, on behalf of The Jones Abstract and Title Company, Inc, and being first duly sworn by me upon his oath, says that the facts alleged in the foregoing instrument are true.

Signed and sealed this 16 day of June, 2016.



Beverly Morgan  
Signature  
Beverly Morgan  
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My Commission expires: July 13, 2022

County of Residence: Hamilton