

No. 2023-8448

**Official Order  
of the  
Texas Commissioner of Insurance**

**Date:** 12/28/2023

**Subject Considered:**

Texas Department of Insurance v.  
Marvette Skinner

SOAH Docket No. 454-23-25871.C

**Order Granting Motion to Set Aside Default Judgment**

**General Remarks and Official Action Taken:**

The subject of this order is the motion to set aside default judgment for Commissioner's Order No. 2023-8287 filed by Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) Enforcement staff (Enforcement). This order grants Enforcement's motion to set aside default judgment for Commissioner's Order No. 2023-8287.

**Background**

On October 12, 2023, TDI issued Commissioner's Order No. 2023-8287, a default order denying Marvette Skinner's insurance license application on the basis of her criminal history and because she failed to respond to the notice of hearing sent to her address on file with TDI. The original petition alleged that Ms. Skinner pleaded guilty to and was convicted of the felony offense of wire fraud in federal court on October 4, 2022.

On November 8, 2023, Enforcement filed a motion to set aside default judgment for Commissioner's Order No. 2023-8287. In the motion, Enforcement says that after the order was issued, Enforcement became aware of errors in the original petition and the default order. Enforcement asks that the default order be set aside so that the original petition with the correct information can be refiled.

On November 16, 2023, TDI issued Commissioner's Order No. 2023-8343, extending the timeframe under 28 Tex. Admin. Code § 1.89(d) and Government Code §§ 2001.144 and 2001.146 to allow the filing of Enforcement's motion to set aside default judgment

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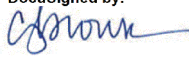
for Commissioner's Order No. 2023-8287, and allowing Ms. Skinner until November 28, 2023, to submit a response to Enforcement's motion to set aside default judgment. Ms. Skinner responded by email on November 25, 2023, asking that a new hearing date be set.

**Discussion**

After considering Enforcement's motion and Ms. Skinner's response, TDI has determined that Commissioner's Order No. 2023-8287 should be set aside to allow the correction of the original petition.

**Order**

It is ordered that Commissioner's Order No. 2023-8287 is set aside and the matter is reopened for further proceedings.

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