

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
OFFICES OF THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER
MICHAEL D. RILEY, COMMISSIONER

12-EO-03

IN THE MATTER OF: Proclamation of State of Emergency by Governor Earl Ray Tomblin, dated June 30, 2012.

EMERGENCY ADJUSTER ORDER

NOW COMES MICHAEL D. RILEY, Insurance Commissioner for the State of West Virginia (hereinafter "Commissioner"), by virtue of the authority vested in him pursuant to West Virginia Code Section 33-12B-11a, who does **FIND and DECLARE** as follows:

WHEREAS, beginning the twenty-ninth day of June, Two Thousand Twelve, severe storms caused heavy rainfall, flooding, high winds, downed trees, mudslides, and road and stream blockages throughout the State of West Virginia.

WHEREAS, on the first day of July, Two Thousand Twelve, Governor Earl Ray Tomblin entered a Proclamation declaring a State of Emergency in all fifty-five counties comprising the State of West Virginia;

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Commissioner that the severe storms causing heavy rainfall, flooding, high winds, downed trees, mudslides, and road and stream blockages which began on the twenty-ninth day of June, Two Thousand Twelve are reasonably likely to produce a volume of claims that significantly exceeds the number of claims normally arising throughout the State of West Virginia; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Commissioner that the number of licensed adjusters in the State of West Virginia is inadequate to properly meet the demand of the public during the emergency situation.

WHEREAS, due to the loss of electrical supply, communications and other vital services, the Commissioner issued an oral and email authorization for emergency adjusters on June 30, 2012 throughout the State of West Virginia.

IT IS THEREFORE DECLARED that an insurance emergency exists throughout the entire State of West Virginia.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Commissioner authorizes the licensing of sufficient emergency adjusters to meet the demands of the public in the aforementioned counties;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that adjusters issued emergency licenses pursuant to this order shall be supervised by an adjuster licensed in this state or by an insurance company authorized to do business in this state;

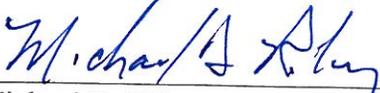
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that application shall be by submitting an emergency adjuster license application to the Commissioner by the supervising adjuster or insurance company within three (3) days of the date on which the non-licensed person begins adjusting activity in connection with the emergency situation;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that such registration is valid for ninety (90) days from the date of the registration letter; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that an extension may be requested by the supervising adjuster or insurance company.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the effective date of this Order is June 30, 2012.

ORDERED this 2nd day of July, 2012.


Michael D. Riley
Insurance Commissioner of the
State of West Virginia