

# Louisiana Department of Insurance **Complaint Report Form**

# What the Louisiana Department of Insurance can do for you:

- Protect you by enforcing Louisiana's insurance laws
- Provide you with consumer information
- Investigate your complaints against companies or agents

# Types of complaints include:

- Sales/Policyholder Services
  - Claim Delays/Denials/Unsatisfactory Settlements

**Other Insurance-Related Disputes** 

- Premium Rates/Refunds
- Cancellation/Non-Renewals

# Types of insurance involved include:

Homeowners

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- Bail Bonds
- Worker's Compensation

- Life Health Auto
- Long Term Care
  Commercial Credit
  - Annuity
- Disability
- Medicare Supplement

• Other Types of Insurance

# What the Louisiana Department of Insurance cannot do for you:

- Give you legal advice, act as your lawyer, or interfere in a pending lawsuit
- Recommend one insurance company, agent or adjuster over another
- Decide disputes based on who is negligent or at fault
- Determine the facts surrounding a claim (that is who might be telling the truth in a matter when accounts of the matter differ)
- Resolve a complaint if the only evidence is your word against the word of others

# What should I send with my complaint form?

#### Copies, not originals of...

- Letters you have written to the company or producer dealing with the problem
- Letters you have received from the company or producer
- Other letters written about the problem from your doctor or lawyer
- Your policy or the excerpt from your benefits handbook that covers the situation
- Relevant sales literature or worksheets
- Your insurance ID card (copied front and back), if possible
- The claim you filed, if applicable

# What happens after the Department of Insurance receives my complaint?

- 1. Typically, within a week of receiving your complaint the Louisiana Department of Insurance will send you an acknowledgment letter or email noting:
  - Your file number
  - The name of the compliance examiner in charge of investigating your complaint
- 2. The Department of Insurance will send a copy of your complaint to the company or other appropriate party and ask for an explanation of its position.
- 3. Your examiner will review all responses received to assure the problem has been properly addressed. This may result in more letters or phone calls between the examiner, the company and other parties.
- 4. Your examiner will send you a letter with the investigation results:
  - If no evidence of a violation is found, the examiner will so advise and explain why the investigation is being closed.
  - If your examiner is not satisfied with the company's response, the investigation will continue.
  - If the Louisiana Department of Insurance asserts that the law has been violated, the Department will pursue administrative action to correct and punish the wrongdoer.

# How will I know how the investigation is going?

- The average complaint takes approximately 45 days to investigate fully. Because of the unique nature of each complaint, your complaint may be completed in a much shorter time frame or, in some rare instances, take considerably longer.
- If you have any new information, put it in writing. Include your file number and send it to your examiner.

For more information, free copies of our publications, or answers to insurance-related questions, contact the Louisiana Department of Insurance at 1-800-259-5300 or (225) 342-5900 in Baton Rouge, or write to Louisiana Department of Insurance, P.O. Box 94214, Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9214. You can access our website at <a href="http://www.ldi.la.gov">www.ldi.la.gov</a> and or send an email to <a href="http://www.ldi.la.gov">public@ldi.la.gov</a>.

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#### PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

#### Section I

Your Name:		Home Phone:							
Address:				Work Phone:					
City:	State:	Zip:		Cell Phone:					
Insured:				Email:					
Claimant:									
Date of birth: Social Security # (last four digits):									
Age Group:	□ Under 25 □ 25	- 49 □ 50 - 64	4 🗆	65 +					
		Section II							
Who is the comp	laint against? (Full and exa	act name of the com	pany, br	oker, agent, or adjuster)					
Address (if know	n)								
	erage does this involve?								
	Homeowners			Worker's Compensation					
	th □ Long Term Care □ Credit			Disability Modicaro Supplement					
	r:	□ Annuity		Medicare Supplement					
If involving group	) insurance, please provide	the name of the er	nnlover:						
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Policy Number:		Gr	oup Nun	nber:					
Claim Number:									
If your complaint	is against another person	's insurance compar	ny, that p	erson's name, contact information,					
and policy numb	er:								
Date of loss:									

Section III									
Do you have an attorney represer Is there any court action pending? Have you previously reported this	)	□ Yes □ Yes office or any	□ No □ No other agency?	□ Yes	□ No				
If yes, to whom?									
File number (if applicable):									
Please check the reasons that app	ly to your compla	aint.							
<ul><li>Claim Denial</li><li>Premium Refund</li><li>Other:</li></ul>	, dling □	Unfair Offer/Payment							
Describe your problem in your ow (NOT ORIGINALS) of available doc front and back.	umentation relat	ive to your o	complaint, inclu		-				
What do you consider to be a fair	resolution to you	ır problem?							
Pl	ease read and sig	n the follow	ing statement:						

To the best of my knowledge, the information contained herein is true and accurate. I understand that a copy of this form and any or all of the information attached may be sent to the party complained against.