THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

MERRIMACK, SS.

SUPERIOR COURT

BEFORE THE COURT-APPOINTED REFEREE IN RE THE LIQUIDATION OF THE HOME INSURANCE COMPANY DISPUTED CLAIMS DOCKET

In Re Liquidator Number: 2005-HICIL-15
Proof of Claim Number: CLMN380542
Claimant Name: Madelyn Miller

REFEREE'S RULING

This disputed claim proceeding was the subject of a structuring video conference on April 14, 2006. The Claimant, Madelyn Miller, was present in the offices of the Home Insurance Company in Liquidation for purposes of the conference.

As a preliminary procedural matter the Referee must determine whether oral argument is necessary for resolution of this dispute. The requisite mandatory disclosures have been filed by both the Claimant and the Liquidator and, under Section 15a of the Restated and Revised Order Establishing Procedures Regarding Claims Filed with the Home Insurance Company in Liquidation, the parties have the opportunity to file additional written submissions. While oral argument may assist in the resolution of some disputes, Section 15a leaves the scheduling of any such argument to the discretion of the Referee or the Court, as the case may be.

While the Referee has given consideration to the Claimant's request for oral argument, the Referee is not persuaded that oral argument would provide any necessary additional information to assist in making a decision in this matter. Therefore, this matter will be determined based upon written submissions.

Finally, subsequent to the structuring conference, the Claimant filed a letter requesting additional time for filing written submissions, and the Liquidator responded. In consideration of that request, the Referee directs the Claimant to provide written submissions by the end of business on Friday, June 2, 2006. The Liquidator shall provide written submissions by the end of business on Monday, July 3, 2006.

So ruled:

Dated: April 18 06

Paula 1. Rogers

Referee