

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: 2006-HICIL-28
Proof of Claim Number: INSU166565
Claimant Name: Jerry Strauss

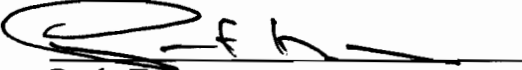
REFEREE'S RULING

The initial structuring conference in this matter was scheduled for March 9, 2007. Because of a scheduling conflict, the matter was continued until March 30, 2007. The Claimant, Attorney Jerry Strauss, while duly notified of the rescheduling, failed to call in as a participant to the March 30, 2007 structuring conference call. Notwithstanding the Claimant's failure to participate, the Referee has reviewed this disputed claim file. In doing so, the Referee also notes that the Claimant failed to substantiate his initial claim through the filing of the mandatory disclosures as required by the "Restated and Revised Order Establishing Procedures Regarding Claims Filed With the Home Insurance Company in Liquidation".

The Liquidator has indicated that this claim was denied based upon the fact that the records of the Home Insurance Company in Liquidation reflect that no claim has ever been brought against the Claimant. While the Referee affirms the denial of Attorney Strauss' claim based upon this reality, it is noted for the record that the Liquidator has indicated that should any claim against Attorney Strauss be brought in the future, the Liquidator will not object to a late filing of such claim. In that event, a late filed claim will be evaluated under the terms and conditions of the policy at issue.

So ruled:

Dated: April 4, 07


Paula T. Rogers
Referee