GOVERNMENT OF ZAMBIA

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT NO. 38 OF 2021

The Insurance Act, 1997 (Act No. 27 of 1997)

The Insurance (Fidelity Fund) Regulations, 2021

IN EXERCISE of the powers contained in sections 109, 111, 113, 114 and 115 of the Insurance Act, 1997, the following Regulations are made:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Insurance (Fidelity Title Fund) Regulations, 2021. 2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires Interpretation "beneficiary" means a person who holds a beneficial interest in a policy, other than the holder of a policy; "Board" means the Pensions and Insurance Authority Board established under the Pensions Scheme Regulation Act, Act No. 28 of 1996 1996; "claim" means an application for payment from the Fund as provided in regulation 8; "Committee" means the Policy Holder's Protection Committee constituted under Section 106 of the Act; and

"Fund" means the Insurance Fidelity Fund established under regulation 3.

3. There is established the Insurance Fidelity Fund for the purposes of indemnifying or otherwise protecting holders or beneficiaries of a policy held with an insurer that is unable to meet that insurer's liabilities. Administration4. (1) The Committee shall administer and manage the Fund.of Fund(2) The Committee shall establish prudent controls for the Fund,

especially relating to— (*a*) fiscal controls and accounting procedures governing the

Fund;

(b) reporting procedures for matters relating to the Fund; and

(c) investment of the monies of the Fund.

(3) The Committee shall cause to be kept proper books of account and other records relating to the account of the Fund.

(4) The Fund shall be audited annually by the Auditor-General or an auditor appointed by the Auditor-General.

5. Subject to the Public Finance Management Act, 2018, the Committee shall open and operate an account for purposes of the Fund at a commercial bank that the Board may determine.

Disbursement from Fund

Act No. 1 of

Fund

2018

account

6. (1) The expenses incurred in the administration of the Fund and payable out of the Fund shall not exceed fifteen percent of the total value of the Fund as at 31^{st} December of the previous year.

(2) The total amount of claims payable out of the Fund under these Regulations to a claimant who is entitled to indemnity shall not exceed the amount due to that claimant under the policy.

Insurance of Fund

Claims against Fund 7. The Committee may insure the Fund with an insurer registered under the Act in order to provide indemnity to the Fund against grants made under these Regulations.

8. (1) A person who suffers pecuniary loss caused by an insurer or broker licensed under the Act or an employee of the insurer or broker in the course of a licensed activity, may apply to the Committee for a grant out of the Fund to compensate the applicant for the loss incurred in Form I set out in the Schedule.

(2) The Committee shall, within sixty days of receipt of the application under subregulation (1), determine the application and notify the applicant of the approval or rejection of the application in Form II or Form IV set out in the Schedule.

(3) The Committee may grant a claim under this regulation despite the fact that after the commission of the act giving rise to the claim—

- (*a*) the insurer or broker has died or ceased to carry on the licensed activity under the Act; or
- (b) the registration of the insurer or broker is cancelled or the insurer or broker is suspended from carrying on the licensed activity under the Act.

9. The Committee shall, where it requires more information in Further information relation to a claim made under regulation 8, notify the applicant in Form III set out in the Schedule.

10. The Committee shall not authorise the payment of a claim out of the Fund where ----

- (a) the applicant is or was a shareholder, executive director or executive officer who has previously been in the employment of the insurer or broker which is in default for a period of three years immediately preceding the claim;
- (b) the insurer or broker in default has not been declared insolvent by the Registrar at the time of application and on the findings of the Committee, the liquidator confirms that the assets of the insurer or broker are sufficient to settle the holder or beneficiary's claim; or
- (c) the applicant makes a claim more than five years of the date of publication of the liquidation schedule.

11. (1) The Committee shall where it grants a claim under Regulation 8, pay the grant out of the Fund within sixty days of the date of approval of the claim.

The amount payable to a claimant in respect of an insurer (2)or a broker in default shall not exceed ten percent of the value of the Fund as at 31st December of the previous year.

12. (1) Subject to regulation 11, where the amount at credit in the Fund is insufficient to pay the whole amount of the claim against the Fund, which is allowed, the amount of credit in the Fund shall abate in equal proportions.

(2) A claimant who received funds in accordance with subregulation (1) shall have no further claim to the Fund.

13. (1) A person aggrieved by the decision of the Committee may appeal to the Board within thirty days of receipt of the decision of the Committee in Form V set out in the Schedule.

The Board shall consider the appeal within ninety days (2)and notify the person of its decision within fourteen days of the date of the decision.

(3) A person aggrieved by the decision of the Board may appeal to the court.

14. (1) As soon as practicable, but not later than ninety days report after the end of the financial year, the Committee shall submit to the Minister a report concerning its activities during the financial year.

Payment of claim

Apportioning of claims

Appeals

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Rejection of

claim

Annual

The report under subsection (1) shall include information (2) on the financial affairs of the Committee and there shall be appended to the report

(a) an audited statement of financial position;

(b) an audited statement of comprehensive income; and

(c) other information that the Minister may require.

(3) The Minister shall, not later than seven days after the first sitting of the National Assembly next after receipt of the report under subsection (1), lay the report before the National Assembly.

Revocation of 15. The Insurance (Fidelity Fund) Regulations, 2019, are revoked.

No. 59 of 2019

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SCHEDULE (*Regulations* 8, 9, 10 and 13)

Form I (*Regulation* 8)



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 Particulars of claim supporting documer 			
5. Bank details of App			
6. STATUTORY DEC			
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Form II (*Regulation* 8(2))



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NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF APPLICATION

(1) Here insert the full names and address of	To (1)
the	IN THE MATTER OF (2)
applicant	You are notified that your application for
(2) Here insert	has been approved by the Committee on the
the serial	following terms and conditions:
No. of the	(a)
application	(b)
(3) Signature	(c)
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Chairperson	within days. If you fail to furnish the requested
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	invalid and shall be rejected.

Dated this day of 20

Chairperson

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Form III (*Regulation* 9)



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REQUEST FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

(1)	Here insert the full names and	To (1)
address the	address of the applicant	IN THE MATTER OF (2) You are requested to furnish the following information or documents in respect of the following claim:
(2)	Here insert the serial No. of the application	(a)(b)
(3)	Signature of Registrar	information within the stipulated period, your claim will be treated as invalid and shall be rejected.
		Dated this day of 20

Chairperson

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Form IV (*Regulation* 10)



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NOTICE OF REJECTION OF APPLICATION

(1) Here insert the full names and	To (1)
address of	IN THE MATTER OF (2)
the	You are notified that your application for
applicant	has been
	rejected by the Committee on the following grounds:
(2) Here insert	<i>(a)</i>
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application	(<i>d</i>)
	Dated this day of 20

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Chairperson

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Form V (*Regulation*13)



(Act No. 27 of 1997)

The Insurance (Fidelity Fund) Regulations, 202

1NOTICE OF APPEAL TO BOARDIN THE MATTER OF

(Appellant's reference and matter of appeal)I appeal, against the decision of the Committee

on the following grounds:

<i>(a)</i>
(b)
(c)
(<i>d</i>)

Signature of appellant

*Attach brief if necessary

Dr B. K. E NG'ANDU, Minister of Finance

LUSAKA 6th May, 2021 [MFB.101/39/1]