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Regional director of insurance firm jailed for \$30,000 commissions fraud

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A regional director of an insurance company, charged by the ICAC, was today (September 12) sentenced to three months' imprisonment at the Eastern Magistracy after being convicted of defrauding the company of about \$30,000 in commissions by falsely representing that her husband was the handling agent of two insurance policies.

Patrina Li Pui-ying, 55, regional director of Prudential Hong Kong Limited (Prudential), was found guilty of two counts of fraud, contrary to Section 16A of the Theft Ordinance.

In passing the sentence, Magistrate Mr Kenneth Chan Ping-chau said a custodial sentence was imposed on the defendant as she had the intention of defrauding the insurance company to seek personal gains.

Upon an application from the defendant, the magistrate granted her cash bail of \$100,000 pending her appeal.

The case arose from a corruption complaint. Subsequent ICAC enquiries revealed the above offences.

The court heard that at the material time, the defendant was a regional director of Prudential. Her husband was a down-line agent working together with her in the same team.

Between November and December 2011, the defendant met with two female clients and explained to them the contents and features of two insurance policies respectively.

In the presence of the defendant, the clients signed on their respective application forms for taking out insurance policies with Prudential.

Afterwards, Prudential received the two application forms on which the defendant's husband was named as the handling agent. The application forms were endorsed by the defendant as up-line manager of her husband, the court heard.

Believing that the information on the application forms was genuine, Prudential approved the applications.

As a result, Prudential released commissions of about \$23,000 in total to the defendant's husband, and overriding commissions totalling over \$6,200 to the defendant, the court was told.

Prudential had rendered full assistance to the ICAC during its investigation.

The prosecution was today represented by prosecuting counsel Cannise Chan, assisted by ICAC officer Jessie Fu.

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新聞公佈

保險公司區域總監詐騙三萬元佣金罪成判囚

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一名保險公司區域總監訛稱其丈夫是兩份保單的經手代理人，以詐騙有關保險公司約三萬元，被廉政公署起訴。被告今日(九月十二日)在東區裁判法院被判罪名成立，判囚三個月。

李佩英，五十五歲，保誠保險有限公司(保誠)區域總監，被裁定兩項欺詐罪名成立，違反《盜竊罪條例》第16A條。

裁判官陳炳宙判刑時稱，被告蓄意欺騙公司以謀取個人利益，因此須判處入獄。

裁判官接納被告的申請，准許她以現金十萬元保釋外出等候上訴。

廉署早前接獲貪污投訴，調查其後揭發上述罪行。

案情透露，被告於案發時是保誠的區域總監。她丈夫是其下線代理人，兩人於同一隊伍工作。

被告於二〇一一年十一月至十二月期間，分別與兩名女性客戶會面，解釋兩份保單的內容及特色。該兩名客戶分別在被告面前簽署其申請表格以向保誠投保有關保單。

案情透露，保誠其後收到該兩份申請表格，其經手代理人的名字為被告丈夫，而被告則以其丈夫上線經理的身份加簽有關申請表格。

基於相信有關申請表格上的資料為真確，保誠批准有關投保申請。

保誠因此向被告丈夫發放共約二萬三千元佣金，並向被告發放共逾六千二百元上線佣金。

保誠在廉署調查案件期間提供全面協助。

控方今日由大律師陳敏兒代表出庭，並由廉署人員傅韋茵協助。

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