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## **NEWS RELEASE**

### **FORMER LICENSED ADJUSTER GUILTY OF INSURANCE FRAUD**

***Lexington man draws 60 days in jail, to repay more than \$12,000 in restitution***

FRANKFORT, Ky. (May 8, 2008) – A Fayette County resident who formerly worked as a claims supervisor is serving the final days of a 60-day jail sentence after pleading guilty to three felony counts of insurance fraud.

Kelly Lee Mora, 32, of Lexington, was an independent adjuster/claims supervisor for Tower Hill Claims Management. Between May and November 2006, he filed fraudulent insurance claims on behalf of others and used the money for his personal expenses. According to court documents, one insurance claim check for \$3,062.44 was used for closing costs on the purchase of his home. Another for \$5,782.44 was sent to his mortgage company. However, when an \$8,855 claim check was questioned since it was not made out to the claimant, Mora sent the check to the actual insured, allegedly to conceal his actions.

The Kentucky Office of Insurance revoked Mora's license as an independent adjuster in May 2007.

In addition to serving 60 days in jail, Mora received a three-year sentence, probated for five years. He will be required to make restitution of \$12,305.44 and, if deemed necessary by the court's representative, must complete a substance abuse program.

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