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NOTE WELL: Use this instruction when the defendant is not the presenter of the false statement and the insurance claimant is the one injured.

NOTE WELL: For situations involving an alleged fraudulent procurement of insurance benefits use N.C.P.I.—Crim. 228.35.1.

The defendant has been charged with [assisting] [abetting] [soliciting] [conspiring with]¹ another person to [prepare] [make] a false [written] [oral] statement² that is intended to be presented to an [insurer] [insurance claimant] [in connection with] [in opposition to] a claim for [payment] [a benefit] pursuant to the policy.

For you to find the defendant guilty of this offense, the State must prove six things beyond a reasonable doubt:

<u>First</u>, that an insurance [policy] [coverage] existed between (*name insured*] [insurance claimant]) (and) (name insurer).

<u>Second</u>, that the defendant [assisted] [abetted] [solicited] [conspired with] another person to [prepare] [make] a [written] [oral] statement.

<u>Third</u>, that this statement was intended to be presented to (*name [insurer] [insurance claimant]*) [in connection with] [in opposition to] a claim for [payment] [a benefit] pursuant to the policy.

<u>Fourth</u>, that this statement contained false or misleading information concerning a fact or a matter material to the claim.

<u>Fifth</u>, that the defendant knew that this statement contained false or misleading information concerning a fact or matter material to the claim.

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And Sixth, that the defendant acted with the intent³ to [injure] [defraud] [deceive] (name insurance claimant).

If you find from the evidence beyond a reasonable doubt that on or about the alleged date an insurance [policy] [coverage] existed between (name [insured] [insurance claimant]) (and) (name insurer), and that the defendant [assisted] [abetted] [solicited] [conspired with] another person to [prepare] [make] a [written] [oral] statement, this statement was intended to be presented to (name [insurer] [insurance claimant]) [in connection with] [in opposition to] a claim for [payment] [a benefit] pursuant to the policy, this statement contained false or misleading information concerning a fact or a matter material to the claim, the defendant knew that this statement contained false or misleading information concerning a fact or matter material to the claim, and the defendant acted with the intent to [injure] [defraud] [deceive] (name insurance claimant), it would be your duty to return a verdict of guilty of [assisting] [abetting] [soliciting] [conspiring with] another person to [make] [prepare] a false statement to deny benefit of an insurance policy. However, if you do not so find, or have a reasonable doubt as to one or more of these things, it would be your duty to return a verdict of not guilty.

^{1.} For further definitions of "aiding and abetting" see N.C.P.I.—Crim. 202.20, of "solicitation" see N.C.P.I.—Crim. 201.20, of "conspiracy" see N.C.P.I.—Crim. 202.80.

^{2.} For a definition of "statement" see N.C. Gen. Stat. § 58-2-161(b)(2).

^{3.} For a definition of "intent" see N.C.P.I.—Crim. 120.10.