

**Complainant's Information** 

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## **INSURANCE DEPARTMENT**

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## **Consumer Complaint for Case 7053574**

## Submitted on 04/19/2023

Are you the ins	ured?: Yes		
What is your re	lationship to the	e insured?: Spouse	
First Name:	Middle N	lame: Last Name:	
Address Line 1	:		
Address Line 2	) -		
Address Line 3	<b>8</b> :		
Address Line 4	·:		
Address Line 5	i:		
Address Line 6	<b>;</b> :		
City:	State:	County: ZIP:	
Email Address	:		
Do you wish to	receive email c	confirmation?: Yes	
Phone Numbe	f:	EXT:	
Alternate Phon	e Number:	EXT:	
Insured's Inf	ormation (If d	ifferent than above)	
First Name: Last Name: Last Name:			
Interested Pa	arty Informatio	on	
First Name:	Last Name:	Description:	
First Name:	Last Name:	Description:	
First Name:	Last Name:	Description:	
First Name:	Last Name:	Description:	
Insurance In	formation		
Who is the con	nplaint against?	Provide the name of one or more of the parties you are complaining again	ıst.
a. Name of I	nsurance Comp	any: Genworth Life, formerly GE Capital Assurance	
b. Name of I	nsurance Agend	y: MetLife	
c. Name of A	gent, Adjuster,	Appraiser:	
First Name	:: Jo Anne L	ast Name: Fleshood, MS	
In what state did you purchase this plan?: Connecticut			
How was the	Policy Purchas	ed?: Agent	
Policy Numb	er:	Certificate Number: Claim Number:	

Type of Insurance: Long Term Care

Date of Loss/Service:

Insured Age Group: 25 - 49

Reason For Complaint: Misrepresentation, Unsatisfactory Offer

Date of Purchase: 11/24/1998

Amount in Dispute:

Details Of Complaint: At least twice in the past few years, Genworth has sought cumulative rate increases, stating their belief that future rate increases are important to Genworths ability to pay future claims. In their Important Settlement Notice they state that it is possible the actual rate increases will be larger or more numerous than currently planned.

Date Of Cancellation:

When we purchased our policies, we had full confidence that GE Capital Assurance was part of a highly reputable, worldwide corporation which met its obligations. We felt secure in the knowledge that we were making necessary, if costly, monthly premium payments (often to the maximum of our limited budget — was a high school educator for many years) that would accrue value and be there for us in our old age in times of possible need.

Surely such an enormous company bears responsibility to its customers who in good faith presume they are protected as they struggle year to year to pay higher and higher premiums - with the only option being that they lower benefits negating the intention of the policy to have their health care needs met in their old age. Modern medical technology is astounding, extending human life. In that sense, we are most fortunate. Is it buyers beware, or is the responsibility with the seller of such a policy? How have all the billions of dollars in these policies been invested for growth? Who has received the greatest benefit from these policies, the company itself or the people they are supposed to be insuring? It is outrageous. At age 81 and 82, are not prepared for what they see in store, finding after all the years of contributions to high premiums that they will not have security knowing they will be cared for properly should it be come necessary.

In their Important Settlement Notice Genworth says, You should know that based on our projections, rate increase requests that exceed these percentages would be actuarially justified. Actuarially but not morally! It is the elderly, those who have paid and paid and paid and worked their whole lives who are victims here - surely not the corporation. As we become older, we become weaker, have less voice and are less respected. Its about time for a change.

Corporations should not be allowed to serve themselves by raising rates through legalese maneuvering. They will push these rate increase as far as they are allowed and it should not be allowed! They must be capped and controlled.

**Authorization Text:** 

Mailing additional supporting information: Yes