BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA



- OKLAHOMA
Case No. 11-0604-DIS

EMERGENCY REVOCATION ORDER AND NOTICE OF RIGHT TO BE HEARD

COMES NOW the State of Oklahoma, ex rel. John D. Doak, Insurance Commissioner, by and through his attorney, Julie Meaders, and alleges and states as follows:

JURISDICTION

- 1. John D. Doak is the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oklahoma and is charged with the duty of administering and enforcing all provisions of the Oklahoma Insurance Code, 36 O.S. §§ 101 et seq.
- 2. Tiffany Lynn Lewis is a licensed nonresident insurance producer holding license 40059427. Her address of record is 8201 Ridgepoint Drive, Irving, Texas 76063.
- 3. Whenever the Insurance Commissioner has reason to believe a person has been convicted of any criminal felony involving dishonesty or a breach of trust, the Insurance Commissioner may revoke any license or registration issued or approved by the Insurance Commissioner. 36 O.S. § 403(A)(1).

4. The Insurance Commissioner may place on probation, censure, suspend, revoke or refuse to issue or renew a license issued pursuant to the Oklahoma Producer Licensing Act and/or may levy a fine up to \$1,000.00 for each occurrence of a violation of the Oklahoma Insurance Code, 36 O.S. § 1435.13(A) and (D).

ALLEGATIONS OF FACT

- Tiffany Lynn Lewis is a licensed nonresident insurance producer holding license 40059427. She electronically applied for her Oklahoma license on August 21, 2008 and the license was issued on August 27, 2008.
- 2. The 2008 electronic application asked the question: "Have you ever been convicted of a crime, had a judgment withheld or deferred, or are you currently charged with committing a crime?" Lewis answered this question "no".
- 3. The 2010 electronic renewal application asked: "Since the last renewal have you been convicted of a crime, had a judgment withheld or deferred, or are you currently charged with committing a crime?" Lewis answered this question "no".
- 4. The 2008 electronic application asked the question: "Have you or any business in which you were or are an owner, partner, officer or director, or member or manager of limited liability company, ever been involved in an administrative proceeding regarding any professional or occupational license or registration?" Lewis answered this question "no".
- 4. The Oklahoma Insurance Department was notified on May 18, 2011 that Lewis was indicted in Tarrant County, Texas for the felony offense of misapplication of fiduciary property. She plead guilty, received judgment and was sentenced on September

- 15, 2009 to sixty (60) days in jail and ten (10) years probation. She was also ordered to pay restitution to the victim in the amount of \$58,256.92.
- 5. The indictment stemmed from a five year investigation into whether Lewis, acting in her capacity as a licensed attorney for a client in Texas, misappropriated money from the client's settlement in a 2003 probate case. The Texas Bar Association found that she did and disbarred Lewis on April 12th, 2005 for professional misconduct. Lewis thereafter remained a municipal judge while appealing this decision. She voluntarily resigned from her judicial office of Municipal Judge of Dallas, Dallas County, Texas in lieu of disciplinary action on February 16, 2007.
- 6. Lewis failed to disclose any of this information on her application for a nonresident producer license in Oklahoma in 2008. Lewis failed to disclose any of this information on her renewal application for a nonresident producer license in Oklahoma in 2010. Lewis declared under penalty of perjury that the statements she made in the applications were true and complete.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Lewis was convicted of a criminal felony involving dishonesty or a breach of trust and has thereby violated 36 O.S. § 402(A). Lewis violated 36 O.S. § 1435.13(A)(6) in failing to disclose her felony conviction on her renewal application in 2010.

Lewis violated 36 O.S. § 1435.13(A)(1) by providing incorrect, misleading, incomplete or materially untrue information in her license application in failing to disclose the disbarment of her Texas law license for professional misconduct at the time of her application in Oklahoma, and for failing to disclose that she was currently charged with committing a felony crime in Texas at the time of her Oklahoma application.

Respondent violated 36 O.S. § 1435.13(A)(3) by obtaining her Oklahoma producer license through misrepresentation or fraud.

Respondent violated 36 O.S. § 1435.13(A)(6) by having been convicted of a felony.

Respondent violated 36 O.S. § 1435.13(A)(8) by using fraudulent, coercive or dishonest practices, or demonstrating incompetence, untrustworthiness or financial irresponsibility in this state or elsewhere.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Insurance Commissioner, subject to the following paragraph, that the Respondent violated 36 O.S. § 402(A). Whenever the Insurance Commissioner has reason to believe that any person has violated 36 O.S. § 402(A), the Insurance Commissioner may revoke any license or registration issued or approved by the Insurance Commissioner. 36 O.S. § 403(A)(1).

IT IS ALSO ORDERED that Respondent violated 36 O.S. § 1435.13(A)(1), (3), (6) and (8) and has thereby placed the welfare of the public at risk. Emergency action is justified to prevent Respondent from continuing to act as an insurance producer in Oklahoma and therefore Respondent's producer license is REVOKED effective immediately.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED by the Insurance Commissioner that this Order is conditional. Unless the Respondent requests a hearing with respect to the Allegations of Fact set forth above within thirty (30) days of the date of mailing of this Order, this Order shall become a FINAL ORDER on the thirty-first day following the date of mailing of this Order. Such request for hearing shall be received within thirty (30) days from the

date of receipt of this order. A request for hearing shall be made in writing addressed to Julie Meaders, Assistant General Counsel, Oklahoma Insurance Department, 3625 NW 56th Street, Suite 100, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73112. An independent hearing examiner shall conduct the hearing. Respondent may have a court reporter transcribe the proceedings and Respondent shall be responsible for the costs.

WITNESS My Hand and Official Seal this <u>15</u> day of June, 2011.



PAUL WILKENING

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF ADMINISTRATION

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I, Julie Meaders, hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Emergency Revocation Order and Notice of Right to be heard was mailed by certified mail with postage prepaid and return receipt requested on this 16th day of June 2011, to:

Tiffany Lynn Lewis 8201 Ridgepoint Drive Arlington, Texas 76063

CERTIFIED MAIL NO: 7008 1830 0003 9411 7842

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