BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel. JOHN D. DOAK, Insurance Commissioner, Petitioner,))	316	MAR 27 2012 NCE COMMISSIONER
vs. EUGENE PHILLIPS, a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma, AND) CASE NO.))))	12-0092-DIS 12-0093-DIS 12-0094-DIS	ÿ.
SAFETY NATIONAL CASUALTY CORPORATION, a licensed insurance company in the State of Oklahoma, Respondents.))))		

FIRST AMENDED CONDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER AND NOTICE OF RIGHT TO BE HEARD

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

JURISDICTION

- John D. Doak is the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oklahoma and as such is 1. charged with the duty of administering and enforcing all provisions of the Oklahoma Insurance Code 36 O.S. §§ 101-7004 and the Oklahoma Bail Bond Act 59 O. S. §§ 1301-1340.
- 2. Respondent Eugene Phillips ("Phillips") is a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 40036559.
- 3. Respondent Safety National Casualty Corporation ("Safety National") is a licensed insurance company in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 15105.

FINDINGS

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1. On or about February 7, 2011, an appearance bond was executed as follows:

Defendant:

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Case Number(s):

CF-2011-1384

City/County:

Oklahoma County

Surety:

Safety National Casualty Corporation

Bondsman:

Eugene Phillips

Power Number(s):

S5-1967602

Bond Amount(s):

\$2,500

2. On August 3, 2011, the Defendant failed to appear, and the bond was declared forfeited. An Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was issued by the court on August 25, 2011 and filed in the case. A true and correct copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was mailed to Respondents with return receipt requested within thirty (30) days after the forfeiture.

- 3. Phillips received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on September 15, 2011.
- 4. Safety National received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on August 29, 2011.
- The ninety-first (91st) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture by 5. Respondents was December 15, 2011. The Defendant was not returned to custody within ninety (90) days of receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture.
- 6. On December 15, 2011, Phillips submitted check #1778 in the amount of Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$12,500) for payment of this forfeiture as well as the two forfeitures listed below. Check #1778 was returned to the Oklahoma County Court Clerk's office as insufficient on December 29, 2011.
 - On January 27, 2012, Phillips paid the face amount of the forfeited bond. 7.

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8. On or about June 21, 2011, an appearance bond was executed as follows:

Defendant:

Jason D. Robinson

Case Number(s):

CF-2011-4074

City/County:

Oklahoma County

Surety:

Safety National Casualty Corporation

Bondsman:

Eugene Phillips

Power Number(s):

S5-2000943

Bond Amount(s):

\$4,000

9. On August 17, 2011, the Defendant failed to appear, and the bond was declared forfeited. An Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was issued by the court on September 12, 2011 and filed in the case. A true and correct copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was mailed to Respondents with return receipt requested within thirty (30) days after the forfeiture.

- 10. Phillips received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on September 15, 2011.
- Safety National received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on September15, 2011.
- 12. The ninety-first (91st) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture by Respondents was December 15, 2011. The Defendant was not returned to custody within ninety (90) days of receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture.
- 13. On December 15, 2011, Phillips submitted check #1778 in the amount of Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$12,500) for payment of this forfeiture as well as the other two forfeitures listed in this Order. Check #1778 was returned to the Oklahoma County Court Clerk's office as insufficient on December 29, 2011.
 - 14. On January 27, 2012, Phillips paid the face amount of the forfeited bond.

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15. On or about February 11, 2011, an appearance bond was executed as follows:

Defendant:

Miguel Cardoza Castaneda

Case Number(s):

CF-2011-178

City/County:

Oklahoma County

Surety:

Safety National Casualty Corporation

Bondsman:

Eugene Phillips

Power Number(s):

S10-1971785

Bond Amount(s):

\$6,000

16. On August 8, 2011, the Defendant failed to appear, and the bond was declared forfeited.

An Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was issued by the court on August 30, 2011 and filed in the case.

A true and correct copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was mailed to Respondents with return

receipt requested within thirty (30) days after the forfeiture.

- 17. Phillips received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on September 15, 2011.
- 18. Safety National received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on September 2,2011.
- 19. The ninety-first (91st) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture by Respondents was December 15, 2011. The Defendant was not returned to custody within ninety (90) days of receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture.
- 20. On December 15, 2011, Phillips submitted check #1778 in the amount of Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$12,500) for payment of this forfeiture as well as the other two forfeitures listed above. Check #1778 was returned to the Oklahoma County Court Clerk's office as insufficient on December 29, 2011.
 - 21. On January 27, 2012, Phillips paid the face amount of the forfeited bond.

Administrative Action and Subsequent Proceedings

- 22. Based on the above facts, on March 8, 2012, the Oklahoma Insurance Department ("Department") issued a *Conditional Administrative Order and Notice of Right to be Heard* in these cases, fining Respondents One Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$1,250.00) each.
- 23. On March 21, 2012, Phillips filed with the Oklahoma County District Court and was granted an Order For Remitter in CF-2011-178, State v. Castaneda. The bond forfeiture was set aside and the money paid by Phillips on January 27, 2012 was ordered remitted based upon Defendant Castaneda being in custody at the time of the forfeiture.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The allegations are found to be true and correct, and Respondents have violated 59 O.S. § 1332 by failing to return the defendants within ninety (90) days or remit payment in the face amount of the bond forfeiture within ninety-one (91) days from receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture. Under 59 O.S. § 1310(B), any person found to be in violation of the Bail Bond Code "may be subject to a civil penalty of not less than Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) nor more than Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) for each occurrence."

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Eugene Phillips and Safety National are <u>each</u> fined in the amount of Six Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$650.00).

Respondents are further notified that either or both may request a hearing within 30 days of the receipt of this Order concerning this action, and upon such request, the Oklahoma Insurance Department shall conduct a hearing before an independent hearing examiner. A request for hearing shall be made in writing to Michael P. Copeland, Oklahoma Insurance Department, Legal Division, 3625 NW 56th Suite

100, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73112 and give an explanation of Respondents' actions described herein and any defenses thereto.

If Respondents do not request a hearing within the 30 days allotted, this Order shall become a FINAL ORDER on the 31st day following the receipt of the Order and the fine ordered herein shall be due.

WITNESS My Hand and Official Seal this day of March, 2012.



JOHN D. DOAK INSURANCE COMMISSIONER STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing *First Amended Conditional Administrative Order and Notice of Right to Be Heard* was mailed certified, return receipt requested, on this ______ day of March, 2012, to:

Jeff Eulberg Eulberg Law Offices 925 N.W. 6th Oklahoma City, OK 73106

William G. Combs



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