# BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel. JOHN D.				
DOAK, Insurance Commissioner,	)			
Petitioner,	)			
	)			
VS.	) Case No. 12-0415-DIS			
JAMES MANUEL JR., a licensed bail bondsman	FILED			
in the State of Oklahoma,	MAY			
Respondent.	MAY 0 1 2012			
	WOURANCE			
CONDITIONAL ADMI	INISTRATIVE ORDER OKLAHOMA GHT TO BE HEARD			
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

- 1. John D. Doak is the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oklahoma and as such is charged with the duty of administering and enforcing all provisions of the Oklahoma Insurance Code, 36 O.S. §§ 101-7301, and the Oklahoma Bail Bond Act, 59 O. S. §§ 1301-1340.
- James Manuel Jr. ("Respondent") is a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 200341.

## FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. On March 15, 2012, Respondent submitted an insufficient electronic funds transfer ("EFT") to the Oklahoma Insurance Department ("Department") in the amount of \$286.52 for payment of his February 2012 U.S. Fire Insurance Company ("U.S. Fire") report reviewal fee and ok.gov fee.
- 2. On March 28, 2012, the Department sent a letter to Respondent, via email and certified mail, informing him of the unpaid amount and that a \$25.00 service fee was being assessed.

The letter instructed that \$286.52 for the insufficient EFT and \$25.00 for the service fee, for a total of \$311.52, be paid to the Department by cashier's check or money order within five (5) days of receipt of the letter.

- 3. Respondent received the letter on March 30, 2012.
- 4. As of the date of this Conditional Order, the funds have not been replaced.
- 5. As of the date of this Conditional Order, Respondent has not responded to the letter he received on March 30, 2012.
- 6. Respondent has a history of submitting insufficient funds to the Insurance Commissioner.

#### CONCLUSION OF LAW

- 1. Respondent has acted in violation of 59 O.S. § 1310(A)(27) by uttering insufficient funds to the Insurance Commissioner.
- 2. Respondent has acted in violation of 59 O.S. § 1310(A)(21) by failing to respond to a properly mailed notification within a reasonable amount of time.

## ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that James Manuel Jr. is CENSURED and FINED Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00), due and payable to the Insurance Department within 30 days of receipt of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that James Manuel Jr. shall pay to the Department Three Hundred Eleven Dollars and Fifty-Two Cents (\$311.52) for the insufficient EFT and service fee owed for his February 2012 U.S. Fire report within 30 days of receipt of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order constitutes disciplinary action and may be used

in any subsequent hearings by the Insurance Department. In the event other misconduct is reported to the Department, this Order may be used as evidence against Respondent to establish a pattern of behavior and for the purpose of proving additional acts of misconduct.

Respondent is notified that he 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 William G. "Buddy" Combs, Oklahoma Insurance Department, Legal Division, 3625 NW 56<sup>th</sup> Suite 100, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73112 and give an explanation of Respondent's actions described herein and any defenses thereto.

If, within 30 days of receipt of this Order, Respondent fails to either (1) pay the fine and replace the fees owed or (2) request a hearing, Respondent's license shall be **SUSPENDED** on the 31<sup>st</sup> day following receipt of the Order. If Respondent does not request a hearing within the 30 days allotted, this Order shall become a **FINAL ORDER** on the 31<sup>st</sup> day following the receipt of the Order.

WITNESS My Hand and Official Seal this

day of May, 2012.

JOHN D. DOAK

INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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# **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing *Conditional Administrative Order and Notice of Right to be Heard* was mailed certified, return receipt requested, on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 2012, to:

James Manuel, Jr. 1209 S Main Street Stillwater, OK 74074-5846

William G. "Buddy" Combs

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