## BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel. JOHN D.	
DOAK, Insurance Commissioner,	)
Petitioner,	j JAN U2 2013
VS.	) INBURANÇÊ ÇÎMMIBBIÇNEF
	OKAHOMA -
CHARLES DAVID VAN BRUNT, a licensed bail	
bondsman in the State of Oklahoma,	)
	) CASE NO. 12-1124-DIS
AND	
	)
SAFETY NATIONAL CASUALTY	)
CORPORATION, an insurance company licensed	
to act as bail surety in the State of Oklahoma,	)
Respondents.	

# 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**

- 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.
- 2. Respondent Charles David Van Brunt ("Van Brunt") is a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 200056.
- 3. Respondent Safety National Casualty Corporation ("SNCC") is an insurance company licensed to act as bail surety in the State of Oklahoma holding NAIC number 15105.

#### **FINDINGS**

1. On or about April 16, 2012, an appearance bond was executed as follows:

Defendant:

Russell Ruddell Bryce

Case Number(s):

CM-2012-331

City/County:

Pottawatomie County

Surety:

Safety National Casualty Corporation

Bondsman:

Charles David Van Brunt

Power Number(s):

S5-2060063

Bond Amount(s):

\$1000

2. On June 7, 2012, the Defendant failed to appear, and the court orally declared the bond forfeited. An Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was filed by the court on July 5, 2012. 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 Order's filing.

- 3. Van Brunt received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on July 7, 2012.
- 4. SNCC received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on July 10, 2012.
- The ninetieth (90<sup>th</sup>) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture by 5. Respondents was Friday, October 5, 2012.
- The ninety-first (91st) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture by 6. Respondents was Saturday, October 6, 2012. Because that day fell on a weekend and Pottawatomie County offices closed on Columbus Day, Monday, October 8, 2012, the 91st day for statutory purposes was Tuesday, October 9, 2012.
- 7. The Defendant was not returned to custody within 90 days, nor was the face amount of the forfeited bond deposited with the Court Clerk within 91 days, after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture by Respondents.
- .8. As of the date of this Order, the bond forfeiture has not been paid or otherwise set aside or exonerated.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. The allegations are found to be true and correct, and Respondents have violated 59 O.S. § 1332 by failing to return the Defendant 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.
- 2. Pursuant to 59 O.S. § 1310(B), any bondsman or company violating a provision of the Bail Bond Act, 59 O.S. §§ 1301-1340, may be subject to a fine of not less than \$250 but not more than \$2,500.
- 3. Pursuant to 59 O.S. § 1332(D)(4)(a), when a surety company does not properly deposit with the court clerk the face amount of the forfeited bond, the Commissioner shall "cancel the license privilege and authorization of the insurer to do business within the State of Oklahoma and cancel the surety appointment of all surety bondsman agents of the insurer."

#### <u>ORDER</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Safety National Casualty Corporation and Charles David Van Brunt are each CENSURED and FINED Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the face amount of the bond forfeiture shall be deposited with the Pottawatomie County Court Clerk (or the bond forfeiture otherwise set aside or the bond exonerated) within thirty (30) days of receipt of this Order. Failure to do so shall result in the CANCELLATION of Safety National Casualty Corporation's license privilege and authorization to do business within the State of Oklahoma and the CANCELLATION of the surety appointment of all surety bondsman agents of Safety National Casualty Corporation.

Respondents are further notified that they 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 Respondents' actions alleged 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 31<sup>st</sup> day following the receipt of the Order, and the fines ordered herein shall be due.

WITNESS My Hand and Official Seal this day of January, 2013.

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JOHN D. DOAK INSURANCE COMMISSIONER STATE OF OKLAHOMA

William G. "Buddy Combs Assistant General Counsel 3625 NW 56<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 100 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73112

Tel. (405) 521-2746 Fax (405) 522-0125

## **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 January, 2013, to:

Charles David Van Brunt 34704 Lake Rd. Shawnee, OK 74801-2462

Safety National Casualty Corporation ATTN: Nick Kriegel 1832 Schuetz Rd. St. Louis, MO 63146

William G. "Buddy" Combs

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