## BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel. JOHN D. DOAK,	) FEB 1 4 2014
Insurance Commissioner,	) INSURANCE COMMISSIONER
Petitioner,	OKLAHOMA
VS.	)
	) Case No. 13-1320-DIS
STEVEN SNYDER, a licensed bail bondsman in	)
the State of Oklahoma,	)
	)
Respondent.	)

# 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, Dan R. Byrd, 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.
- Steven Snyder ("Respondent") is a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 199984.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Every bail bondsman license expires biennially at 12:00 midnight on the last day of the bondsman's birth month. 59 O.S. § 1304.
- 2. Every bondsman is required to renew his or her license biennially by submitting a completed renewal application by the end of his or her birth month. 59 O.S. § 1309.
  - 3. Approximately forty-five days prior to the expiration of a bondsman's license,

Oklahoma Insurance Department ("OID") staff sends an E-mail to the bondsman advising of the license expiration date.

- Respondent's birth month is October. Accordingly, his license expired at midnight,
   October 31, 2013.
  - 5. The Respondent has not renewed his license to date.
- 6. OID personnel conducts audits of late renewals to determine if bondsmen execute any bonds during periods they were not licensed. Investigation of bonds executed in the county and municipality in which Respondent operates revealed that, during the unlicensed period, Respondent executed thirty-two (32) appearance bonds. These bonds totaled \$186,687.00.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

1. The allegations are found to be true and correct and Respondent has violated 59 O.S. §§ 1303(A) and 1320(A), and Oklahoma Administrative Code 365:25-5-35(E) by executing bail bonds in Oklahoma without a valid Oklahoma bail bond license.

#### **ORDER**

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Steven Snyder is hereby CENSURED and FINED \$250.00.

Respondent is further 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 Dan R. Byrd, Oklahoma Insurance Department, Legal Division, 3625 NW 56<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 100, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73112, and **provide an explanation of Respondent's actions described herein and any defenses thereto**.

## If Respondent does 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.

WITNESS My Hand and Official Seal this Hand and of February, 2014.

JOHN D. DOAK

INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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### **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I, Dan R. Byrd, 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 via certified mail with return receipt requested on this day of February, 2014, to:

Steven Snyder 623 W. 6<sup>th</sup> St. Stillwater, OK 74075-2139

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