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BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel. JOHN D.)	OKLAHOMA
DOAK, Insurance Commissioner,)	
Petitioner,)	
vs. JOHN KEEFE, a licensed bail bondsman in		
the State of Oklahoma,)	
AND) CASE NO. 15-0287-DIS	
AMERICAN SURETY COMPANY, 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 John Keefe ("Keefe") is a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 100175523.
- 3. Respondent American Surety Company ("ASC") is an insurance company licensed to act as bail surety in the State of Oklahoma holding NAIC number 31380.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On or about November 1, 2014, an appearance bond was executed as follows:

Defendant:

Litisha Sharmaine Robinson

Case Number(s):

CM-2013-1045

City/County:

Oklahoma County Court Clerk

Surety:

American Surety Company John Keefe

Bondsman: Power Number(s):

AS25-234340

Bond Amount(s):

\$4000

- 2. On November 12, 2014, the Defendant failed to appear, and the bond was orally declared forfeited. An Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was filed by the court on November 24, 2014. 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.
- Keefe's copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was received on November 25,
 2014.
 - 4. ASC's copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was received on December 1, 2014.
- 5. The ninetieth (90th) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture by Respondents was Monday, February 23, 2015.
- 6. The ninety-first (91st) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture by Respondents was Tuesday, February 24, 2015.
- 7. As of the date of this Order, the bond forfeiture has not been paid or otherwise set aside or the bond exonerated.
- 8. 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.
 - 9. The bond was reported.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The allegations are found to be true and correct, and Respondents have violated 59 O.S. § 1332(D) 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.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that John Keefe and American Surety Company are <u>each</u>
CENSURED and FINED Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the face amount of the bond forfeiture shall be deposited with the Oklahoma 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 American Surety Company's license privilege and authorization to do business within the State of Oklahoma and CANCELLATION of the surety appointment of all surety bondsman agents of American Surety Company.

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 Dan R. Byrd, Assistant General Counsel, Oklahoma Insurance Department, Legal Division, 3625 NW 56th 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 31st day following the receipt of the Order, and the fines ordered herein shall be due.

WITNESS My Hand and Official Seal this 20 day of March, 2015.

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JOHN D. DOAK INSURANCE COMMISSIONER STATEOF ORLAHOMA

Dan R. Byd

Assistant General Counsel 3625 NW 56th Street, Suite 100 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73112 Tel. (405) 522-6330 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 regular mail, on this ______ day of March, 2015, to:

John Keefe 2519 S.W. 59th Street Oklahoma City, OK 73119-6613 CERTIFIED MAIL NO: 7014 2870 0000 5492 8944

American Surety Company P.O. Box 68932 Indianapolis, IN 46268

CERTIFIED MAIL NO: 7014 2870 0000 5492 8951

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