# BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE MOURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE MOUR

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel. JOHN D. DOAK, Insurance Commissioner,  Petitioner,	) )
vs. DEBRAA. BARRY, a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma,	) ) )
AND	) CASE NO. 15-1128-DIS
SENECA INSURANCE COMPANY, INC. 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 Debra A. Barry ("Barry") is a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 200339.
- 3. Respondent Seneca Insurance Company, Inc. ("SICI") is an insurance company licensed to act as bail surety in the State of Oklahoma holding NAIC number 10936.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On or about April 11, 2015, an appearance bond was executed as follows:

Defendant:

Gordon Matthew Taylor a/k/a Gordon Matthew(s) Boyd

Case Number(s):

CF-2015-1505

City/County:

Oklahoma County Court Clerk

Surety:

Seneca Insurance Company, Inc.

Bondsman:

Debra A. Barry

Power Number(s):

S06 02364042

Bond Amount(s):

\$2500

- 2. On June 4, 2015, the Defendant failed to appear, and the bond was orally declared forfeited. An Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was filed by the court on June 12, 2015. 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. Barry's copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was unclaimed.
  - 4. SICI received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on June 15, 2015.
- 5. The ninety-first (91<sup>st</sup>) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture by Respondents was Monday, September 14, 2015.
- 6. As of the date of this Order, the bond forfeiture has not been paid or otherwise set aside or the bond exonerated.
- 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. 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.
- 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.

#### **ORDER**

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Debra A. Barry and Seneca Insurance Company, Inc. are <a href="mailto:each"><u>each</u> CENSURED and FINED Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00).</a>

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 Seneca Insurance Company, Inc.'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 Seneca Insurance Company, Inc. and the SUSPENSION of Debra A. Barry's license as a bail bondsman.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if Respondents do not deposit the face amount of the bond forfeiture with the Oklahoma County Court Clerk (or have the bond forfeiture otherwise set aside or the bond exonerated) and each pay their FINES of Five Hundred Dollars within thirty (30) days of receipt of this Order that their licenses shall immediately be SUSPENDED until the bond forfeiture is deposited

with the Oklahoma County Court Clerk (or the bond forfeiture otherwise set aside or the bond exonerated) and each of their FINES of Five Hundred Dollars have been paid.

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 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 September, 2015.

JOHN D. DOAK

INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Dan R. Byrd

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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 September, 2015, to:

Debra A. Barry 1141 N. Robinson Ave., Ste. 102 Oklahoma City, OK 73103-4919

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