BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel. JOHN D. DOAK, Insurance Commissioner, Petitioner, Vs. RHONDA ABEL, a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma, OCASE NO. 15-1230-DIS and DENISE BOWLINE, a licensed professional bail bondsman and surety bondsman in the State of Oklahoma, STATE OF OKLAHOMA CASE NO. 15-1230-DIS DENISE BOWLINE, a licensed professional bail bondsman and surety bondsman in the State of Oklahoma,

CONDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER AND NOTICE OF RIGHT TO BE HEARD

Respondents.

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 Rhonda Abel ("Abel") is a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 1001 59709.
- 3. Respondent Denise Bowline ("Bowline") is a licensed professional bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 199849.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On or about March 18, 2015, an appearance bond was executed as follows:

Defendant:

Caleb Lee Kipps

Case Number(s):

CM-2015-27

City/County:

Nowata County Court Clerk

Insurer:

Denise Bowline

Bondsman:

Rhonda Abel

Power Number(s):

0074R

Bond Amount(s):

\$1000

- 2. On June 24, 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 24, 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. Abel's Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was unclaimed per USPS, Notice Left (No Authorized Recipient Available).
 - 4. Bowline received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on June 30, 2015.
- 5. The ninety-first (91st) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture by Respondents was Tuesday, September 29, 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.

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 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 bondsman 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 Rhonda Abel and Denise Bowline are <u>each</u>
CENSURED and FINED Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the face amount of the bond forfeiture shall be deposited with the Nowata 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 Denise Bowline'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 Denise Bowline.

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 $31^{\rm st}$ day following the receipt of the Order, and the fines ordered herein shall be due.

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

JOHN D. DOAK INSURANCE COMMISSIONER STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Dan R. Byrd

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 certified, return receipt requested, on this ______ day of November, 2015, to:

Rhonda Abel 517 E. Cherokee Ave. Nowata, OK 74048-2809 CERTIFIED MAIL NO: 7015 0640 0002 7406 7719

Denise Bowline 415 ¼ SW Adams Blvd. Bartlesville, OK 74003-4410

CERTIFIED MAIL NO: 7015 0640 0002 7406 7726

Dan R. Byrd





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