# BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel. JOHN D. DOAK, Insurance Commissioner, Petitioner, Vs. RUSSEL GLASS, a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma, AND CASE NO. 16-0103-DIS CRUM & FORSTER INDEMNITY 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 Russel Glass ("Glass") is a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 199472.
- 3. Respondent Crum & Forster Indemnity Company ("CFIC") is an insurance company licensed to act as bail surety in the State of Oklahoma holding NAIC number 31348.

# FINDINGS OF FACT

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

Defendant:

Kristofer Smith

Case Number(s):

CM-2015-2606

City/County:

Oklahoma County Court Clerk

Surety:

Crum & Forster Indemnity Company

Bondsman:

Russel Glass

Power Number(s):

C5-70191608

Bond Amount(s):

\$4000

- 2. On September 15, 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 September 18, 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. Glass received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on September 25, 2015.
  - 4. CFIC received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on October 1, 2015.
- 5. The ninety-first (91<sup>st</sup>) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture by Respondents was Friday, December 25, 2015, which was a holiday. Per Rule the due date was Monday, December 28, 2015, however, the Court Clerk's office was closed due to bad weather so the due date was Tuesday, December 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.
  - 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 Russel Glass and Crum & Forester Indemnity Company are <u>each CENSURED</u> and FINED Fine 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 Crum & Forster Indemnity 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 Crum & Forster Indemnity 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 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, 2016.

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JOHN D. DOAK
INSURANCE COMMISSIONER
STATE OF OKDAHOMA

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 200 day of January, 2016, to:

Russel Glass 408 W. Pennsylvania Ave. Chickasha, OK 73018-2447 CERTIFIED MAIL NO: 7015 0640 0002 7406 5777

Crum & Forster Indemnity Company c/o Fairmont Specialty Attn: Dee Evans 10350 Richmond Ave., Suite 300 Houston, TX 77042

CERTIFIED MAIL NO: 7015 0640 0002 7406 5784

Dan R. Byrd



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