BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel. JOHN D.) FILED
DOAK, Insurance Commissioner,)) FED 0 1 2016
Petitioner, vs.) INSURANCE COMMISSIONED ORLANDINA
VERONICA RAMIREZ, a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma,) CASE NO. 16-0112-DIS
AND)
JESS ASKINS, a licensed multicounty agent bondsman 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 Veronica Ramirez ("Ramirez") is a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 100183588.
- 3. Respondent Jess Askins ("Askins") is a licensed multicounty agent bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 199885.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On or about April 22, 2015, an appearance bond was executed as follows:

Defendant: Larry Michael Raney

Case Number(s): CF-2015-2642

City/County: Oklahoma County Court Clerk

Surety: Jess Askins

Bondsman: Veronica Ramirez

Power Number(s): 100-02219 Bond Amount(s): \$2000

2. On September 17, 2015, the Defendant failed to appear, and the bond was declared forfeited. An Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was issued and filed in the case on September 29, 2015 by the Oklahoma County Court Clerk. A true and correct copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was mailed to Respondents on September 29, 2015 with return receipt requested within thirty (30) days after the Order's filing.

- Ramirez received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on September 30,
 2015.
- 4. Askins received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on September 30, 2015.
- 5. The ninety-first (91st) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was Wednesday, December 30, 2015.
- 6. As of the date of this Order, the bond forfeitures have not been paid or otherwise set aside or the bonds exonerated.
- 7. The Defendant was not returned to custody within 90 days, nor was the face amount of the forfeited bonds 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 by failing to return the Defendant within ninety (90) days or remit payment in the face amount of the bond forfeitures within ninety-one (91) days from receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture.
- 2. Pursuant to 59 O.S. § 1310(B), any bondsman 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 Veronica Ramirez and Jess Askins are <u>each</u> **FINED** Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00).

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 Curtis Pletcher'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 Curtis Pletcher.

Respondents are further notified that they may request a hearing within 30 days of the receipt of this Conditional Administrative 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 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 Conditional Administrative 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 1st day of January, 2016.

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 ______ day of _______ to:

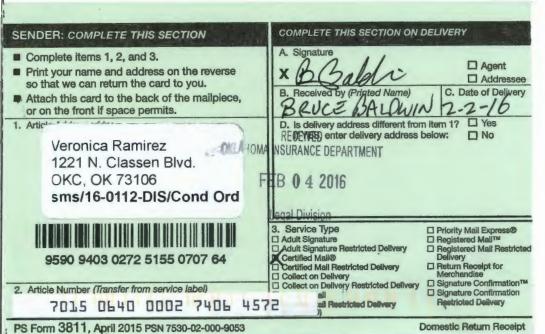
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