# BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE WOLF TO STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel.	)		ONA SOLO
JOHN D. DOAK, Insurance Commissioner,	)		TONA SOONEA
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Petitioner,	)		
VS.	)		
	) Ca	ase No. 16-0336-DIS	
KATIE HAZELWOOD,	)		
a licensed bail bondsman in the State	)		
of Oklahoma,	) -		
	)		
Respondent.	)		

# FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

This matter is a disciplinary proceeding under the Oklahoma Bail Bond Act, 59 O.S. §§ 1301 et seq. The Oklahoma Insurance Department (the "Department") issued an Amended Conditional Administrative Order and Notice of Right to Be Heard on May 19, 2016, alleging that Respondent Katie Hazelwood ("Hazelwood" or "Respondent") violated 59 O.S. § 1310(A)(2) and (29) of the Oklahoma Bail Bond Act.

On or about May 21, 2016, the Department received a Request for Hearing from Respondent and the Department sent Respondent a Notice of Hearing on May 25, 2016 by certified mail, return receipt requested, number 7015 3010 0001 4736 7041 that notified Respondent that a hearing was set for 10:00 a.m. on June 9, 2016, at the Office of the Insurance Commissioner, Five Corporate Plaza, 3625 NW 56th Street, Suite 100, Oklahoma City, OK 73112. Respondent signed for the Notice of Hearing on June 3, 2016.

Petitioner appeared through Counsel Dan R. Byrd on June 9, 2016. Respondent failed to appear. Petitioner offered proof to support the proper service upon Respondent by certified mail at Respondent's current address of record with the Department. Petitioner offered proof to support the

allegations of fact and alleged violations of law contained in the Amended Conditional Administrative Order and Notice of Right to Be Heard.

## **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. §§ 1301-1341.
- 2. Respondent Katie Hazelwood is a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 199979. Her address of record with the Department is 5350 S. Western Ave., Ste. 207J, Oklahoma City, OK 73109-4525.
- 3. The Insurance Commissioner may deny, censure, suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew any license issued pursuant to the Oklahoma Bail Bond Act and/or may levy a fine of not less than \$250.00 but not more than \$2,500.00 for each occurrence of a violation of the Oklahoma Bail Bond Act. 59 O.S. § 1310(A) and (B).

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

- On March 21, 2016, Respondent submitted to the Department an Electronic Funds
   Transfer ("EFT") of Three Dollars (\$3.00) for her SNCC199979-February2016-Original-01.DBFReport.
- On March 23, 2016, the Oklahoma State Treasurer charged the EFT back to the Department as "Not Sufficient Funds".
- 3. On March 25, 2016, Department staff sent a letter via email to Respondent requesting that the funds be replaced and a service fee of Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) for the EFT be paid within five days of receipt of the letter.

- 4. On March 31, 2016, the Department received a personal money order number 7009862381 in the amount of Twenty-Eight Dollars (\$28.00) replacing the funds, service fee, and ok.gov fee.
- 5. Submitting an insufficient electronic funds transfer to the Department is a violation of 59 O.S. § 1310(A)(29). The Department charges a Twenty-Five Dollar (\$25.00) service fee on all insufficient funds.

### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Respondent has violated 59 O.S. § 1310(A)(29) by uttering insufficient funds to the Commissioner.
- 2. Respondent has violated 59 O.S. § 1310(A)(2) by violating a law of this state relating to bail.
- 3. Pursuant to 59 O.S. § 1310(B), "any person violating any provision of Sections 1301 through 1340 of this title may be subject to a civil penalty of not less than Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) nor more than Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) for each occurrence."

#### ORDER

Petitioner's testimony offered at hearing support the Allegations of Fact and Alleged Violations of Law in the Amended Conditional Administrative Order and Notice of Right to Be Heard as true and correct.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Katie Hazelwood is FINED Three Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$350.00) and is assessed the costs of the hearing in the amount of Seventy-Five Dollars (\$75.00), due and payable to the Oklahoma Insurance Department within thirty (30) days after the

date of hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if Respondent has not paid the fine ordered herein within the thirty (30) days allotted, Respondent's bail bond license shall immediately be suspended until the fine and costs of hearing ordered herein are paid.

WITNESS My Hand and Official Seal this day of

day of June, 2016.

STEPHAN S. MATHIS

INDEPENDENT HEARING EXAMINER

OKLAHOMA INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

# **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

Katie Hazelwood P.O. Box 75134 Oklahoma City, OK 73147-0134

CERTIFIED MAIL NO: 7015 3010 0001 4736 8048

and that a copy was delivered to:

**Bail Bonds Division** 

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