# BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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| STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel.            | )                      |
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| JOHN D. DOAK, Insurance Commissioner, | )                      |
| Petitioner,                           | )                      |
| VS.                                   | )                      |
|                                       | ) Case No. 16-0338-DIS |
| CANDACE BENSON,                       | ()                     |
| a licensed bail bondsman in the State | )                      |
| of Oklahoma,                          | )                      |
|                                       | )                      |
| Respondent.                           | )                      |

# 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, Dan R. Byrd, 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. §§ 1301-1341.
- 2. Respondent Candace Benson ("Respondent") is a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 100122151.

#### **ALLEGATIONS OF FACT**

- 1. On March 14, 2016, Respondent submitted to the Oklahoma Insurance Department ("Department") an Electronic Funds Transfer ("EFT") of Three Dollars (\$3.00) for her NOSURETY100122151-February2016-Original-01.DBF Report.
  - 2. 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 money order number 7009862380 from Respondent in the amount of Twenty-Eight Dollars (\$28.00) replacing the funds for reviewal fee, ok.gov and service fees.
- 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.

### ALLEGED VIOLATIONS 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."

### <u>ORDER</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Candace Benson is CENSURED and FINED Two

Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00).

Respondent is further notified that he may request a hearing within thirty (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, Oklahoma Insurance Department, Legal Division, 3625 NW 56<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 100, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73112, and state the basis for requesting the hearing.

If Respondent fails to request a hearing within thirty (30) days of receipt of this Order, this Order shall become a FINAL ORDER on the 31<sup>st</sup> day and the fine ordered herein shall be due.

WITNESS My Hand and Official Seal this

JOHN D. DOAK

INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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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 April, 2016, to:

Candace Benson 3204 S. Ash Ct. Broken Arrow, OK 74012-7903

CERTIFIED MAIL NO: 7015 3010 0001 4604 1676

Dan R. Byrd

| SENDER: COMPLETE THIS SECTION  | COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY                          |
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