BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF MET. STATE OF OKLAHOMA STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel. JOHN DOAK, Insurance Commissioner, Petitioner, V. Case No. 16-0397-DEN TWILA DAWN WINKLER, an applicant for a resident insurance producer license, Respondent.

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

This matter is a denial proceeding under the Oklahoma Producer Licensing Act. 36 O.S. §§ 1435.1 et seq. The Oklahoma Insurance Department (the "Department") notified Respondent on April 25, 2016, that her application for an individual insurance producer license was denied for having been convicted of multiple felonies pursuant to 36 O.S. § 1435.13(A)(6). Respondent requested a formal administrative hearing before an independent hearing examiner concerning the matter on May 6, 2016.

The Hearing was held before the undersigned Hearing Examiner on May 26, 2016. Petitioner appeared by counsel Sara A. Worten. Respondent appeared pro se. Witnesses were sworn and testified, exhibits were admitted and argument of counsel heard.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent submitted an online Uniform Application to the Oklahoma Insurance Department on April 18, 2015, for a resident producer license. The criminal background question on the application asks:

"Have you ever been convicted of a felony, had a judgment withheld or deferred, or are you currently charged with committing a felony?"

- 2. Respondent answered the question "yes" and provided the appropriate documentation to the Oklahoma Insurance Department.
- 3. After review, the Department denied her application for licensure.

 Respondent thereafter requested a formal administrative hearing.
- 4. The Insurance Commissioner appointed John D. Miller to hear the case as the independent Hearing Examiner.
- 5. The hearing was recorded electronically by employees of the Oklahoma Insurance Department. Neither party requested a full stenographic record of the proceedings.
 - 6. The following exhibits were introduced and admitted:
 - Petitioner's Exhibit A: Judgment and Sentence, Cleveland County Case No. CF-2012-2275;
 - Petitioners Exhibit B: Judgment and Sentence, Cleveland County Case No. CF-2010-1057;
 - Petitioner's Exhibit C: Judgment and Sentence, Cleveland County Case No. CF-2010-1037
 - Petitioner's Exhibit D: National Association of Insurance Commissioners ("NAIC") Uniform Application for Individual Producer License/Registration submitted by Respondent to the Oklahoma Insurance Department;
 - Respondent's Exhibit 1: Letters of Recommendation, Resume, Explanation Statement, Work History, Certificate of Release from the Oklahoma Department of Corrections, and Certificates of Completion.
- 7. Respondent, Karen Wojtek, and Michael Jones were sworn and testified under oath.
- 8. The Hearing Examiner heard testimony and entered the following findings of fact:

- Evidence was admitted and testimony was presented to the Hearing
 Examiner that an applicant can be denied for being convicted of a felony.
- b. Evidence was admitted and testimony was presented to the Hearing Examiner that Respondent was convicted of multiple felonies in Cleveland County. Oklahoma.

CONCLUSIONS VIOLATIONS OF LAW

Respondent violated 36 O.S. § 1435.13(A)(6); by being convicted of multiple felonies.

ORDER

BASED UPON THE FOREGOING, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT THE DENIAL OF THE APPLICATION OF RESPONDENT BY THE OKLAHOMA INSURANCE DEPARTMENT IS AFFIRMED.

Done this 27th day of May, 2016.

JOHN D. MILLER

Independent Hearing Examiner Oklahoma Insurance Department 3625 NW 56th Street, Suite 100 Oklahoma City, OK 73112

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