## BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel. JOHN D. DOAK, Insurance Commissioner,	SEP 02 2016
Petitioner,	INGURANCE COMMISSIONER OKLAHOMA
LARRY WATSON, a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma,	) ) ) CASE NO. 16-0444-DIS
license # 40052606,	)

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, Sandra G. LaVenue and alleges and states as follows:

### **JURISDICTION AND AUTHORITY**

- 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 et seq., as well as the Oklahoma Bail Bond Act, 59 O. S. §§ 1301-1341.
- 2. Larry Watson ("Respondent") is a licensed surety bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 40052606.
- 3. The Insurance Commissioner has jurisdiction over the subject matter raised in this dispute and may issue penalties pursuant to 59 O.S. § 1310.
- 4. Pursuant to 59 O.S. § 1310(B), in addition to any potential denial, censure, suspension, or revocation, any person violating any provision of the Oklahoma Bail

Bond Act 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.

- 5. If Respondent requests a hearing in writing in this matter, pursuant to OAC 365:1-7-1, the Insurance Commissioner, pursuant to 36 O.S. § 319, will appoint an independent hearing examiner who shall sit as a quasi-judicial officer and preside over the hearing requested by Respondent.
- 6. The Insurance Commissioner, pursuant to *OAC 365:1-7-5*, upon written request reasonably made by a person affected by the hearing and at such person's expense, shall cause a full stenographic record of the proceedings to be made by a competent court reporter.

#### **ALLEGATIONS OF FACTS**

- 7. On February 12, 2016, Oklahoma Insurance Department ("OID") received a complaint against the Respondent in reference to the arrest of Benjamin Stout.
- 8. On or about March 7, 2016, OID Investigator Stephen Colburn made several attempts to contact Respondent regarding the above referenced complaint at Respondent's business address of Record on file with OID.
- 9. Respondent's OID record provided that Respondent's business was located at 6610 E. Admiral Place, Tulsa, Oklahoma.
- 10. After several attempts were made, Investigator Colburn was told by someone at 6610 E. Admiral Place that Respondent's business, Alliance Bail Bonds, was no longer at that address and it was believed that Alliance Bail Bonds moved several months prior to somewhere in the vicinity of 51<sup>st</sup> and Peoria.

- 10. Investigator Colburn located Respondent at his new business location at 5555 S. Peoria, Tulsa, Oklahoma.
- 11. On July 13, 2016, Investigator Colburn again attempted to contact Respondent at the new location for Alliance Bail Bonds at 5555 S. Peoria, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Investigator Colburn found the new location to be locked and abandoned.
- 12. Investigator Colburn then called Respondent and was told that Respondent had moved again and was now located at 417 W. 7<sup>th</sup> St., Tulsa, Oklahoma.
- 13. Investigator Colburn asked Respondent if he had contacted OID to report his new address and Respondent stated that he was in the process of moving and had not yet done so.
- 14. When Investigator Colburn met Respondent at Respondent's office, he found that Respondent appeared to be settled in and operating out of the new location at 417 W. 7<sup>th</sup> St., Tulsa, Oklahoma.
- 15. As of the date of this filing, Respondent has made no attempt to change his business address of record, which has remained at 6610 E. Admiral Place, Tulsa, Oklahoma, since February 2, 2014.
- 16. Pursuant to 59 O.S. § 1310(A)(23) and OAC 365:25-5-33, the Insurance Commissioner may deny, censure, suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew any license issued under Sections 1301 through 1340 for failing to notify the Commissioner of a change of a business address within five (5) days after a change is made.
- 17. Pursuant to 59 O.S. § 1310(B), any person violating any provision of Sections 1301 through 1340 may be also 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.

#### ALLEGED CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

18. Respondent has violated 59 O.S. § 1310(A)(23) and OAC 365:25-5-33 on at least two (2) occasions by failing to report a change of business address within five (5) days of the change being made.

#### <u>ORDER</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Insurance Commissioner, subject to the following paragraph, that Respondent violated the provisions of 59 O.S. §§ 1310(A)(23) and OAC 365:25-3-33 and is hereby FINED in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). The fine is to be paid within thirty (30) days of service of this order and remitted to the Oklahoma Insurance Department and mailed to ATTN: Sandra LaVenue, Legal Division, 3625 NW 56<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 100, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73112.

Commissioner that this Order is a Conditional Order. Unless Respondent requests a hearing with respect to the Allegations of Fact set forth above within thirty (30) days of mailing of this Order, this Order and the penalties set forth above shall become a Final Order on the thirty-first day following the mailing of this Order. Such request for hearing, if desired, shall be in writing, addressed to Sandra LaVenue, Oklahoma Insurance Department, Legal Division, 3625 NW 56<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 100, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73112, and shall state the basis for requesting the hearing. The request shall be served on the Oklahoma Insurance Department within the thirty (30) days allotted. The proceedings on such requested hearing will be conducted in accordance

with the Oklahoma Insurance Code, 36 O.S. §§ 101 et seq., and the Oklahoma Administrative Procedures Act, 75 O.S. §§ 250 through 403. If Respondent serves a timely request for hearing on the Oklahoma Insurance Department, this Conditional Order shall act as a notice of the matters to be reviewed at the hearing and the Allegations of Fact, Alleged Violations of Law, and penalties imposed in this Conditional Order shall be considered withdrawn, pending final resolution at the hearing.

WITNESS My Hand and Official Seal this 5th day of August, 2016.



JOHN D. DOAK
INSURANCE COMMISSIONER
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Sandra LaVenue OBA# 13372 Oklahoma Insurance Department 3625 NW 56<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 100 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73112

(405) 521-2746

#### **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 by certified mail, with postage prepaid and return receipt requested on this day of September, 2016, to:

**CERTIFIED MAIL NO.** 

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Larry Edward Watson 3804 S. 28<sup>th</sup> West Ave. Tulsa, OK 74107

> Sandra G. LaVenue Senior Counsel



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