BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel. JOHN D. DOAK, Insurance Commissioner,	OCT 2 4 2016 INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OKLAHOMA
Petitioner, vs.	
TIMOTHY PEARSON, a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma,))) CASE NO. 16-0982-DIS
AND)
AMERICAN CONTRACTORS INDEMNITY, COMPANYA licensed surety 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 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. §§ 101-7301, and the Oklahoma Bail Bond Act, 59 O. S. §§ 1301-1340.
- 2. Respondent Timothy Pearson ("Pearson") is a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 199119.
- 3. Respondent American Contractors Indemnity Company ("ACIC") is a licensed surety in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 10216.
- 4. The Insurance Commissioner has jurisdiction over the subject matter raised in this dispute and may issue penalties pursuant to 59 O.S. § 1310.

- 5. 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.
- 6. Pursuant to 59 O.S. § 1332(D)(4)(a), the Insurance Commissioner shall immediately cancel the license privilege and authorization of the insurer to do business within the State of Oklahoma and cancel the appointment of all surety bondsman agents of the insurer who are licensed by Section 1301 et seq. of this title.
- 7. If Respondents request 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 Respondents.
- 8. 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 FACT

1. On or about July 9, 2015, an appearance bond was executed as follows:

Defendant:

John William Arrington

Case Number(s):

CM-2015-820

City/County:

Comanche County

Surety:

American Contractors Indemnity Co.

Bondsman:

Timothy Pearson

Power Number(s):

A7-2287710

Bond Amount(s):

\$1,000.00

2. On August 19, 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 August 18, 2015 by the Comanche County Court. A true and correct copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was mailed to Respondents on August 19, 2015 with return receipt requested.

- 3. Pearson received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on August 22, 2015.
- 4. ACIC received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on August 24, 2105.
- 5. The ninety-first (91st) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was November 21, 2015.
- 6. On November 17, 2015 the Court entered an Order to Stay Payment of the forfeiture until February 17, 2016.
- 7. On February 16, 2016 the Court entered an Order to Stay Payment of the forfeiture until April 16, 2016.
- 8. On April 14, 2016 the Court entered an Order to Stay Payment of the forfeiture until July 16, 2016.
- 9. On July 13, 2016 the Court entered an Order to Stay Payment of the forfeiture until October 13, 2016.
- 10. As of the date of the filing of this Conditional Administrative Order, the forfeiture has not been paid and the defendant has not been returned to custody.

ALLEGED CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Respondents have violated 59 O.S. § 1332 by failing to return the Defendant within ninety (90) days as specifically stated in subsection 4(c) of the statute or remit payment in the face amount of the bond forfeiture within ninety-one (91) days from receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Pearson and ACIC are <u>each</u> FINED One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00). The fines are to be paid within thirty (30) days made payable to the Oklahoma Insurance Department. Payment may be made by either cashier's check or money order and sent to the Oklahoma Insurance Department, Legal Division, 3625 NW 56th St., Suite 100, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73112. If the fines are not paid within thirty (30) days, Pearson's license will be suspended and shall remain suspended until the fines are paid in full.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the face amount of the bond forfeiture shall be deposited with the Comanche County District 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 ACIC'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 ACIC.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Insurance Commissioner that this Order is a Conditional Order. Unless the Respondents request a hearing with respect to the Allegations of Fact set forth above within thirty (30) days of the date 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 date of mailing this Order. A request for hearing should be in writing addressed to Sara A. Worten, Oklahoma Insurance Department, Legal Division, 3625 NW 56th St., Suite 100, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73112. The request for hearing must state the

grounds for the request to set aside or modify the Order.

Any such hearing shall be conducted according to the procedures for contested cases under the Insurance Code and 75 O.S. § 250-323. If the Respondents serve a timely request for hearing on the Oklahoma Insurance Department, this Conditional Order shall act as 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 2



JOHN D. DOAK

INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

day of October, 2016.

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Sara A. Worten

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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 by regular mail and by certified mail, with postage prepaid and return receipt requested, on this <u>Dum</u>day of October 2016, to:

Timothy Pearson P.O. Box 2982 Lawton, OK 73502-2982

CERTIFIED MAIL NO.

7016 0910 0000 5833 3653

American Contractors Indemnity Company 601 S. Figueroa Street, Suite 1600 Los Angeles, CA 90017-5721

CERTIFIED MAIL NO.

7016 0910 0000 5833 3660

and a copy was delivered to:

Anna Denman Bail Bonds Division

Sara A. Worten

Assistant General Counsel







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