# BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel. JOHN D. DOAK, Insurance Commissioner,  Petitioner,	) Starong 2017 ) Starong Stones
vs.  RICHARD MAPLE, a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma,  Respondent.	) ) ) CASE NO. 17-0060-DIS )

# 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, Sara A. Worten, 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. §§ 101-7401, and the Oklahoma Bail Bond Act, 59 O. S. §§ 1301-1340.
- 2. Respondent Richard Maple ("Maple") is a licensed professional bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 200044.
- 3. The Insurance Commissioner has jurisdiction over the subject matter raised in this dispute and may issue penalties pursuant to 59 O.S. §§ 1310 and 1332.
- 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 FACT**

7. On or about May 17, 2016, an appearance bond was executed as follows:

Defendant:

Amy Marie Smith

Case Number(s):

CF-2015-277

City/County:

Craig County Richard Maple

Surety: Bondsman:

Richard Maple

Bond Amount(s):

\$5,000.00

- 8. On September 16, 2016, the Defendant failed to appear and the bond was declared forfeited. An Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was issued and filed in the case on September 23, 2016, by the Craig County District Court. A true and correct copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was mailed to Maple with return receipt requested within thirty (30) days after the Order's filing.
- 9. Maple received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on September 27, 2016.
- 10. The ninety-first (91<sup>st</sup>) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was December 27, 2016.
  - 11. Maple untimely returned Defendant to custody on or about February 10, 2016,

and the bond was exonerated.

#### **ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF LAW**

- 12. Respondent has violated 59 O.S. § 1332 by failing to return the Defendant to custody within ninety (90) days 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.
- 13. Pursuant to 59 O.S. § 1310(B), any bondsman violating a provision of the Bail Bond Act, 59 O.S. §§ 1301-1340, may be subject to a fine of not less than \$250 but not more than \$2,500 per violation.

#### **ORDER**

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Maple is FINED Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00). The fine is to be paid within thirty (30) days of the date of this Conditional Administrative Order and made payable to the Oklahoma Insurance Department. If the fine is not paid within thirty (30) days, Respondent'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 Craig County Court Clerk in Craig County case number CF-2015-277, State v. Amy Marie Smith. If the forfeiture is not paid within thirty (30) days of this Conditional Order, the Oklahoma Insurance Department is ordered to withdraw the face amount of the bond from Maple's professional bail bondsman certificate of deposit and forward it to the Craig County Court Clerk for payment of the bond forfeiture.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Insurance Commissioner that this Order is a Conditional Order. Unless Maple requests a hearing with

respect to the Allegations of Fact set forth above within thirty (30) days of the date of this Conditional Order, the penalties set forth above shall become a Final Order on the thirty-first (31<sup>st</sup>) day following the date of mailing this Order. A request for hearing should be in writing and addressed to Sara A. Worten, Oklahoma Insurance Department, Legal Division, 3625 NW 56<sup>th</sup> 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 and 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 324. If Maple 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 day of March, 2017.



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 by regular mail and by certified mail, with postage prepaid and return receipt requested, on this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of March 2017, to:

Richard Maple 104 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue SE Miami, OK 74354-7047

**CERTIFIED MAIL NO.** 

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and a copy was delivered to:

Lewis Garrison Bail Bonds Division

Sara A. Worten

Assistant General Counsel

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