

**BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

**STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel. JOHN D.  
DOAK, Insurance Commissioner,** )  
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)  
  **Petitioner,** )  
**vs.** )  
)  
**CURTIS HOPCUS, a licensed bail bondsman  
in the State of Oklahoma,** )  
)  
**AND** )  
)  
**CURTIS PLETCHER, a professional  
bail bondsman licensed in the state of  
Oklahoma,** )  
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)  
  **Respondents.** )

**FILED**  
AUG 03 2017  
INSURANCE COMMISSIONER  
OKLAHOMA

**CASE NO. 17-0374-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, Julie Meaders, 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, Curtis Hopcus (“Hopcus”), is a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 100230523.
3. Respondent, Curtis Pletcher (“Pletcher”), is a professional bail bondsman in the state of Oklahoma holding license number 199574.
4. 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*.

### ALLEGATIONS OF FACT

5. On or about May 20, 2016, an appearance bond was executed as follows:

Defendant:	Valerie Williams
Case Number(s):	14-0562W
City/County:	City of Lawton
Surety:	Curtis Pletcher
Bondsman:	Curtis Hopcus
Power Number(s):	104103
Bond Amount(s):	\$750.00

6. On June 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 June 22, 2016, by the Lawton Municipal Court. A true and correct copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was mailed to Hopcus and Pletcher with return receipt requested within thirty (30) days after the Order's filing.

7. Hopcus received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on June 29, 2016.

8. Pletcher received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on June 30, 2016.

9. The ninety-first (91<sup>st</sup>) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was September 28, 2016.

10. The forfeiture was paid On May 30, 2017.

### ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF LAW

11. Respondents have violated *59 O.S. § 1332* by failing to return the Defendant to custody or remit payment in the face amount of the bond forfeiture by June 16, 2016.

12. 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 Hopcus and Pletcher are each FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00).** The fines are 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 fines are not paid within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order, Respondents' respective licenses will be suspended and shall remain suspended until the fines are paid in full.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED** by the Insurance Commissioner that this Order is a Conditional Order. Unless either Hopcus or Pletcher request 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 Julie Meaders, 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 et seq.*

If either Hopcus or Pletcher serve 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 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2017.



JOHN D. DOAK  
INSURANCE COMMISSIONER  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

*Julie Meaders*

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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 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2017, to:

Curtis Hopcus  
611 SW E Avenue  
Lawton, OK 73501-4511

**CERTIFIED MAIL NO. 9214 8902 0982 7500 0007 56**

Curtis Pletcher  
P.O. Box 66  
Springer, OK 73458-0066

**CERTIFIED MAIL NO. 9214 8902 0982 7500 0007 63**

and a copy was delivered to:

Bail Bonds Division

  
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Julie Meaders

Date: August 8, 2017

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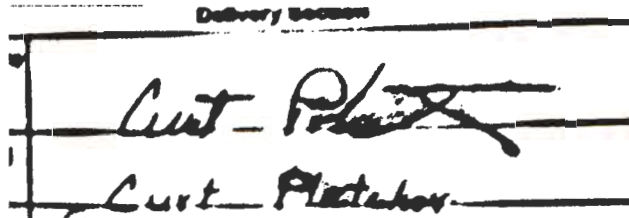
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Curt Fletcher

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