## BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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#### **ORDER**

On December 3, 2016, a show cause hearing was held at the Oklahoma Insurance Department ("OID") on OID's Conditional Administrative Order, filed October 13, 2017. Respondent was served with the Conditional Administrative Order on October 16, 2017. On November 7, 2017, Respondent requested a hearing on the matter. The Notice and Order to Show Cause ("Notice") was filed on November 20, 2017, setting the hearing for December 6, 2017. Respondent received the Notice on November 21, 2017. The hearing was held at the offices of OID. Present at the hearing were Sara A. Worten, Assistant General Counsel for OID and Respondent, Steven D. Blair.

Based on the testimony, as well as the arguments and statements of counsel, the undersigned administrative law judge finds and orders as follows:

- 1. That OID has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action pursuant to 36 O.S., §§101-7301.
- 2. That the Insurance Commissioner has the authority to render an Order concerning the above styled matter and has lawfully appointed Independent Hearing Examiner, Charles F. Alden,

III, to sit as a quasi-judicial officer pursuant to 36 O.S. §319.

- 3. Respondent is an applicant for reinstatement of his resident insurance producer license in the State of Oklahoma.
- 4. Respondent was provided notice according to law and given a hearing conducted pursuant to OAC 365:1-7-1 and the Oklahoma Administrative Procedures Act, 75 O.S. §§308a, *et seq.*
- 5. OID filed a Notice of Hearing and Order to Show Cause on November 20, 2017, and Respondent was provided notice as required by the Oklahoma Insurance Code.
- 6. Respondent applied for a resident insurance producer license on or about September 22, 2017, with the Oklahoma Insurance Department ("OID"). (Testimony of Karen Wojtek and Exhibit 1).
- 7. An applicant must apply in an electronic format and submit to OID. On the application the applicant must verify that he/she is the person filling out the application. (Testimony of Karen Wojtek).
- 8. Respondent verified that he completed his application for reinstatement of his insurance producer license and submitted the application to OID. (Testimony of Karen Wojtek and Exhibit 1).
- 9. On the application form, question 1B asks the following: "Have you ever been convicted of a felony, had a judgment withheld or deferred, or are you currently charged with committing a felony?" Respondent answered "no" to this question. (Testimony of Karen Wojtek and Exhibit 1).
  - 10. The application provides that individual applicants can only exclude "the following

misdemeanor convictions or pending misdemeanor charges: traffic citations, driving under the influence (DUI), driving while intoxicated (DWI), driving without a license, reckless driving, or driving with a suspended or revoked license." Applicants are also permitted to "exclude juvenile adjudications (offenses where you were adjudicated delinquent in a juvenile court)." (Exhibit 1).

- 11. The OID Licensing Division conducted a background check on Respondent using the Oklahoma Supreme Court Network. Through that background check it was discovered that Respondent has been charged with a felony in *The State of Oklahoma v. Steven Douglas Blair*, Case No. CF-2016-5059 for one felony count of being in actual physical control ("APC") of a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol. (Testimony of Karen Wojtek and Exhibit 2).
- 12. The APC charge against Respondent is still pending. (Testimony of Karen Wojtek and Exhibit 2).
- 13. Respondent pled in DUI Court in Oklahoma County and the sentence is currently delayed pending the outcome of the case in DUI Court. (Testimony of Karen Wojtek, Steven Clair, and Exhibit 2).

Based on the above, there is clear and convincing evidence to find Respondent violated the provision of 36 O.S., §§1435.13(A)(1) by providing incorrect, misleading, or materially untrue information in the license application.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Respondent be fined \$250.00 and Respondent be assessed the costs of this matter.

# Done this \_\_\_\_\_ day of January, 2018.



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ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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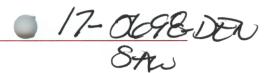
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