

BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

INSURANCE COMMISSIONER
OKLAHOMA

CASE NO. 18-0485-DIS

STIPULATION AND AGREED ORDER

COMES NOW Sandra LaVenue, Senior Counsel for the Oklahoma Insurance Department ("OID"), and Curtis Pletcher ("Pletcher"), who stipulate and agree to the following findings of fact and conclusions of law.

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. §§ 1301-1341.

2. Respondent Pletcher is a multicounty professional bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 199574.

3. The Insurance Commissioner has jurisdiction over the subject matter raised in this dispute and may issue penalties pursuant to 59 O.S. § 1310.

AGREED FINDINGS OF FACT

4. On or about December 31, 2017, an appearance bond was executed as follows:

Defendant:	Rafael C. Rodriguez
Case Number(s):	CF-2018-743
City/County:	Oklahoma County
Surety:	Curtis Pletcher
Bondsman:	Thomas Hale
Power Number(s):	88507
Bond Amount(s):	\$25,000.00

5. On March 2, 2018, 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 March 12, 2018, by the Oklahoma County District Court. A true and correct copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was mailed to Hale and Pletcher at their addresses of record on file with the Oklahoma Insurance Department with return receipt requested within thirty (30) days after the Order's filing.

6. Hale received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on March 13, 2018.

7. Pletcher received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on March 15, 2018.

8. The ninety-first (91st) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of forfeiture was June 12, 2018.

9. On June 27, 2018, the Oklahoma County Court Clerk sent notice to the Oklahoma Insurance Department that neither Hale nor Pletcher returned the defendant to custody nor paid the bond forfeiture by the ninety-first (91st) day.

10. Bondsman, Thomas Hale, filed a notice of Return and an Affidavit of Intent which guaranteed the payment of transportation costs on June 22, 2018.

11. Although the defendant, Rafael Rodriquez was returned to custody in Albany County, Wyoming on May 25, 2018, Thomas Hale did not notify the Oklahoma County District Court that defendant Rodriquez was in custody in another state until June 26, 2018.

12. Oklahoma County District Judge Ray C. Elliott issued an Order of Court Granting Conditional Relief on Surety for Bondsman's Motion on November 21, 2018, wherein the Court reduced the bond to \$6,500.00 for good cause shown.

13. Pletcher paid the reduced bond forfeiture in the amount of \$6,500.00 on November 21, 2018, in satisfaction of the Order and Judgement of Forfeiture issued on March 12, 2018.

14. Respondent Pletcher voluntarily submits to the jurisdiction of OID without a hearing and enters into this Stipulation and Agreed Order.

15. Respondent Pletcher acknowledges the above stipulations of fact and the agreed conclusions of law and agrees to pay an administrative fine in the amount of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00).

AGREED CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

16. Respondent Pletcher has violated *59 O.S. § 1310(A)(2) and (28)* by violating the provisions of *59 O.S. § 1332* and by failing to timely pay fees due to a district court clerk as required by the Oklahoma Bail Bond Act, *59 O.S. § 1301-1341*.

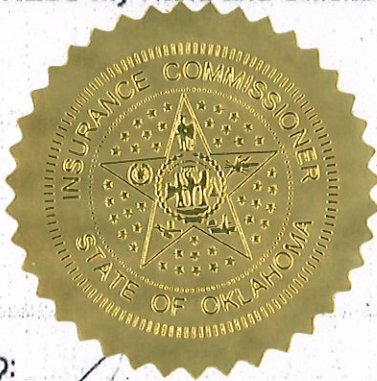
17. Pursuant to *59 O.S. § 1310(B)*, any bondsman violating a provision of the

Bail Bond Act, 59 O.S. §§ 1301-1341, may be subject to a fine of not less than \$250.00 but not more than \$2,500.00 per violation.

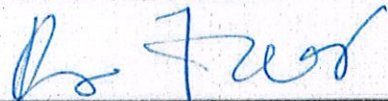
AGREED ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Insurance Commissioner, and CONSENTED TO by Respondent Pletcher that Respondent Pletcher is assessed an administrative fine in the amount of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00), which is due upon entry of this Agreed Order.

WITNESS My Hand and Official Seal this 8 day of February, 2018.




JOHN D. DOAK
INSURANCE COMMISSIONER
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

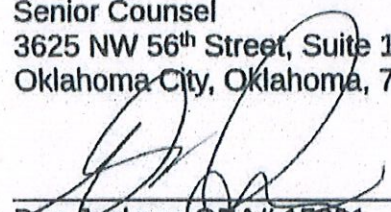


CHARLES F. ALDEN, III, OBA #0187
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE


APPROVED:



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Curtis Pletcher

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Stipulation and Agreed Order was mailed by certified mail, with postage prepaid and return receipt requested, on this 1st day of February, 2018, to:

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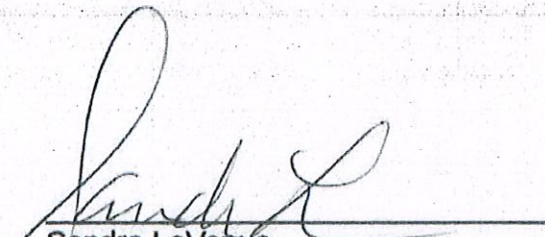
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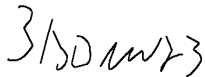
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