## BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel. JOHN D. DOAK, Insurance Commissioner,

# FILED

Petitioner,

VS.

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OKLAHOMA

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.

## CASE NO. 18-0551-DIS 18-0597-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 March 9, 2018, an appearance bond was executed as follows:

Defendant: Case Number(s): City/County: Surety: Bondsman: Power Number(s): Bond Amount(s):

Judy Carolyn Roberts CF-2017-7341 Oklahoma County Curtis Pletcher Thomas Hale 109826 \$4,000.00

5. On March 29, 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 April 6, 2018, by the Oklahoma County District Court. A true and correct copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was mailed to Thomas Hale ("Hale") and Curtis Pletcher ("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.

 Hale received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on April 7, 2018.

7. The ninety-first (91<sup>st</sup>) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of forfeiture was July 9, 2018.

8. On July 11, 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 (91<sup>st</sup>) day.

9. Respondent Hale filed a notice of Return and an Affidavit of Intent which guaranteed the payment of transportation costs on July 26, 2018, which was approximately sixteen (16) days after the 91<sup>st</sup> day.

10. On August 2, 2018, Hale filed a Notice of Return to Custody in the above referenced action with the Oklahoma County Court Clerk notifying the court that the defendant was returned to custody and was in the Pottawatomie County Jail on July 26, 2018.

11. Oklahoma County District Judge Bill Graves issued an Order of Court Granting Conditional Relief on Surety for Bondsman's Motion on November 29, 2018, wherein the Court reduced the bond to \$2,000.00 for good cause shown.

12. Pletcher paid the reduced bond forfeiture in the amount of \$2,000.00 on November 29, 2018, in satisfaction of the Order and Judgement of Forfeiture issued on April 6, 2018.

On or about March 9, 2018, an appearance bond was executed as follows:

Defendant: Case Number(s): City/County: Surety: Bondsman: Power Number(s): Bond Amount(s):

Judy Carolyn Roberts CM-2018-228 Oklahoma County Curtis Pletcher Thomas Hale 109827 \$2,000.00

14. On March 21, 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 29, 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.

15. Hale received a copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture on April 24,

16. The ninety-first (91<sup>st</sup>) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was July 24, 2018.

17. On August 2, 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 (91<sup>st</sup>) day.

18. Respondent Hale filed a notice of Return and an Affidavit of Intent which guaranteed the payment of transportation costs on July 26, 2018, which was approximately nine (9) days after the 91<sup>st</sup> day.

19. On August 2, 2018, Hale filed a Notice of Return to Custody in the above referenced action with the Oklahoma County Court Clerk notifying the court that the defendant was returned to custody and was in the Pottawatomie County Jail on July 26, 2018.

20. The bond forfeiture was paid to the Oklahoma County Court Clerk on November 29, 2018.

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

22. 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 Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00).

#### AGREED CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

23. Respondent Pletcher has violated 59 O.S. § 1310(A)(2) and (28) by violating the provisions of 59 O.S. § 1332 and on two (2) occasions by failing to timely

2018.

pay fees due to a district court clerk as required by the Oklahoma Bail Bond Act, 59 O.S. § 1301-1341.

24. 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 Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00), which is due upon entry of this Agreed Order.

WITNESS My Hand and Official Seal this <u>6</u> day of <u>1110</u>, 2018.



JOHN D. DOAK INSURANCE COMMISSIONER STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

APPROVED:

Sandra LaVenue OBA# 13372 **Oklahoma Insurance Department** 

Senior Counsel 3625 NW 56<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 100 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73112

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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 1/12 day of february, 2018, to:

Don Jackson Attorney for Respondent Curtis Pletcher 3130 NW 23<sup>rd</sup> Street OKC, OK 73107

CERTIFIED MAIL: 9214 8902 0982 7500 0172 42

Scott Anderson Attorney for Respondent Thomas Hale 500 North Walker, Suite B OKC, OK 73102

CERTIFIED MAIL:

9214 8902 0982 7500 0172 59

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Sandra LaVenue Senior Counsel



February 21, 2019

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