BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel. GLEN MULREADY, Insurance Commissioner, Petitioner, Petitioner, Vs. CAROL RUTH HARRIS, a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma, AND CURTIS WAYNE PLETCHER, a multicounty agent bondsman licensed in the State of Oklahoma, Respondents.

CONDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER AND NOTICE OF RIGHT TO BE HEARD

COMES NOW the State of Oklahoma, ex rel. Glen Mulready, Insurance Commissioner, by and through counsel, Antuanya "Bo" DeBose, and alleges and states as follows:

JURISDICTION

- 1. Glen Mulready 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 Carol Ruth Harris ("Respondent Harris") is a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 199677. Respondent Harris' address of record is 2906 SW 57th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73119-5426.
- 3. Respondent Curtis Wayne Pletcher ("Respondent Pletcher") is a multicounty agent bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 199574. Respondent Pletcher's address of record is PO Box 66, Springer, Oklahoma 73458-0066.

- 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.
- 5. 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 \$250.00 nor more than \$2,500.00 for each occurrence.
- 6. If Respondents request a hearing in writing in this matter, pursuant to *OAC 365:1-7-1*, the Insurance Commissioner, pursuant to 59 *O.S.* § 1311.1, will appoint an independent hearing examiner who shall sit as a quasi-judicial officer and preside over the hearing requested by Respondents.

FINDINGS OF FACT

7. On or about July 22, 2021, an appearance bond was executed as follows:

Defendant:

Jennifer Lee Hannan

Case Number(s):

CF-2021-3998

City/County:

Oklahoma County

Surety:

Curtis Wayne Pletcher

Bondsman:

Carol Ruth Harris

Power Number(s):

165691

Bond Amount(s):

\$5,000.00

- 8. On or about September 23, 2021 the Defendant failed to appear and the bond was declared forfeited. An Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was issued on or about October 4, 2021 by the Oklahoma County District Court. A true and correct copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was mailed to Respondent Harris and Respondent Pletcher to their address of record with return receipt requested within thirty (30) days after the Order's filing.
- 9. Respondent Harris' copy of the Order and Judgement of Forfeiture was received October

6, 2021.

- 10. Respondent Pletcher's copy of the Order and Judgement of Forfeiture was received October 8, 2021.
- 11. The ninety-first (91st) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was January 5, 2022.
- 12. The forfeiture was untimely paid March 3, 2022.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

13. Respondents have violated 59 O.S. §1310(A)(6) and (28), by failing to return the Defendant to custody within ninety (90) days or remit payment in the face amount of the bond forfeiture within 91 days from receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture in accordance with the provisions of 59 O.S. § 1332 and OAC 365:25-5-40 and 365:25-5-41.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Insurance Commissioner that both Respondent Harris and Respondent Pletcher are <u>each</u> FINED \$250.00. The fines are to be paid within 30 days of the date of this Conditional Administrative Order and made payable to the Oklahoma Insurance Department located at 400 NE 50th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105. Failure to comply with a proper order of the Commissioner will result in further administrative action.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Insurance Commissioner that this Order is a Conditional Order. Unless either Respondent Harris or Respondent Pletcher request a hearing with respect to the Findings of Fact set forth above within 30 days of the date of this Conditional Order, the penalties set forth above will become a Final Order on the 31st day following the date of mailing this Order. A request for hearing should be in

writing and addressed to Antuanya "Bo" DeBose, Oklahoma Insurance Department, Legal Division, 400 NE 50th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105. The request for hearing must state the grounds for the request to set aside or modify the Order and must be served on the Oklahoma Insurance Department within the 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 either Respondent Harris or Respondent Pletcher serve a timely request for hearing on the Oklahoma Insurance Department, this Conditional Order will act as a notice of the matters to be reviewed at the hearing and the Findings of Fact, Conclusions 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 \(\frac{1}{202} \) day of \(\text{March 2022}. \)



GLEN MULREADY INSURANCE COMMISSIONER STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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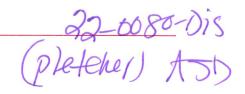
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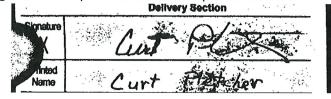


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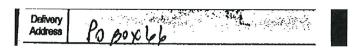
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