BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel. GLEN MULREADY, Insurance Commissioner,

Petitioner,

VS.

BRYCE WADE CULBERT, a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma,

AND

DUSTIN CLINT PLETCHER, a multicounty agent bondsman licensed in the State of Oklahoma,

CASE NO. 22-0410-DIS

Respondents.

CONDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER AND NOTICE OF RIGHT TO BE HEARD

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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 Bryce Wade Culbert ("Respondent Culbert") is a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 40110512. Respondent Culbert's address of record is PO Box 1545, Enid, Oklahoma 73702.

3. Respondent Dustin Clint Pletcher ("Respondent Pletcher") is a multicounty agent bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 40070339. Respondent Pletcher's address of record is 12844 Acme Road, Shawnee, Oklahoma 74804.



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 March 16, 2021, an appearance bond was executed as follows:

Defendant:	Branan Jarmon Eugene Glover
Case Number(s):	CM-2018-267
City/County:	Garfield County
Surety:	Dustin Clint Pletcher
Bondsman:	Bryce Wade Culbert
Power Number(s):	25604
Bond Amount(s):	\$1,000.00

8. On or about March 1, 2022 the Defendant failed to appear and the bond was declared forfeited. An Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was issued on or about March 8, 2022 by the Garfield County District Court. A true and correct copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was mailed to Respondent Culbert and Respondent Pletcher to their address of record with return receipt requested within thirty (30) days after the Order's filing.

Respondent Culbert's copy of the Order and Judgement of Forfeiture was received March
14, 2022.

Respondent Pletcher's copy of the Order and Judgement of Forfeiture was received March
22, 2022.

The ninety-first (91st) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was June
13, 2022.

12. The forfeiture was untimely paid June 14, 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.

<u>ORDER</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Insurance Commissioner that both Respondent Culbert and Respondent Pletcher are **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 Culbert 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 Culbert 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 27^{11} day of <u>July</u> 2022.



GLEN MULREADY INSURANCE COMMISSIONER STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Antuanya "Bo" DeBose Assistant General Counsel Oklahoma Insurance Department 400 NE 50th Street Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73112 (405) 522-4805 Bo.debose@oid.ok.gov

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 *Que* day of July, 2022, to:

Bryce Wade Culbert PO Box 1545 Enid, Oklahoma 73702

Dustin Clint Pletcher 12844 Acme Road Shawnee, Oklahoma 74804

and a copy was delivered to:

Bail Bonds Division

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Antuanya "Bo" DeBose Assistant General Counsel



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