BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel. GLEN MULREADY, Insurance Commissioner,	LAHOMA JUL 27 2022 NSURANCE COMMISSIONE OKLAHOMA
Petitioner,)
VS.)
WILLIAM CLYDE STEPHENS, a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma,))) CASE NO. 22-0437-DIS
AND)
)
RONAL DEAN EDEN, a professional 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 William Clyde Stephens ("Respondent Stephens") is a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 199735. Respondent Stephens' address of record is 805 Robert S. Kerr Ave, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73106-7607.
- 3. Respondent Ronal Dean Eden ("Respondent Eden") is a professional bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 199306. Respondent Eden's address of record is 805 Robert S. Kerr, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73106-7607.

- 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 December 8, 2021, an appearance bond was executed as follows:

Defendant:

Kevin Eduardo Garcia

Case Number(s):

CM-2022-290

City/County:

Oklahoma County

Surety:

Ronal Dean Eden

Bondsman:

William Clyde Stephens

Power Number(s):

20748

Bond Amount(s):

\$2,000.00

- 8. On or about March 15, 2022 the Defendant failed to appear and the bond was declared forfeited. An Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was issued on or about March 24, 2022 by the Oklahoma County District Court. A true and correct copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was mailed to Respondent Stephens and Respondent Eden to their address of record with return receipt requested within thirty (30) days after the Order's filing.
- 9. Respondent Stephens' copy of the Order and Judgement of Forfeiture was received March

29, 2022.

- Respondent Eden's copy of the Order and Judgement of Forfeiture was received March 29,
 2022.
- 11. The ninety-first (91st) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was June 28, 2022.
- 12. The forfeiture was untimely paid June 29, 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 Stephens and Respondent Eden 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 Stephens or Respondent Eden 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 Stephens or Respondent Eden 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 day of July 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

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 day of July, 2022, to:

William Clyde Stephens 805 Robert S. Kerr Ave Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73106

Ronal Dean Eden 805 Robert S. Kerr Ave Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73106

and a copy was delivered to:

Bail Bonds Division

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Antuanya "Bo" DeBose Assistant General Counsel

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