

**BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE
STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

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

Petitioner,

v.

CHRISTOPHER DARREN STEPHENS,

Respondent.

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INSURANCE COMMISSIONER
OKLAHOMA

Case No. 11-0245-DIS

**CONDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
AND NOTICE OF RIGHT TO BE HEARD**

COMES NOW the State of Oklahoma, ex rel. John D. Doak, Insurance Commissioner, by and through his attorney, Julie Meaders, and alleges and states as follows:

JURISDICTION

1. John D. Doak is the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oklahoma and is charged with the duty of administering and enforcing all provisions of the Oklahoma Insurance Code, 36 O.S. §§ 101 et seq.

2. Christopher Darren Stephens is self-employed as an insurance agent in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma. His producer license 27992 was suspended on August 31, 2010 for failure to meet continuing education requirements. His address of record is

[REDACTED]

3. The Insurance Commissioner may place on probation, censure, suspend, revoke or refuse to issue or renew a license issued pursuant to the Oklahoma Producer Licensing Act and/or may levy a fine up to \$1,000.00 for each occurrence of a violation of the Oklahoma Insurance Code, 36 O.S. § 1435.13(A) and (D).

ALLEGATIONS OF FACT

1. Respondent submitted an application to reinstate his producer license on February 25, 2011. The application stated under Respondent's employment history that he has been self-employed as agent/producer in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma since April 2004 to the current date.

2. Respondent declared under penalty of perjury that the statements made in the application were true and complete.

3. Oklahoma Insurance Department records reveal that Respondent was issued producer license 27992 in 1998. The license was suspended on August 31, 2010 for failure to meet continuing education requirements. The Oklahoma Tax Commission placed a hold on his producer license for failing to pay state income tax. The tax hold was released on February 24, 2011. Respondent became compliant with continuing education requirements on March 2, 2011.

4. Respondent was required to be licensed while self-employed as an insurance agent in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma between August 31, 2010 and March 2, 2011.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Respondent violated 36 O.S. § 1435.4(A) in failing to maintain an active producer license while employed in an insurance-related business, thereby in violation of 36 O.S. § 1435.13(A)(2).

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Insurance Commissioner, subject to the following paragraph, that the Respondent

violated 36 O.S. § 1435.13(A)(2) and as a result **Respondent is FINED** in the amount of **TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00). Fine to be paid within thirty (30) days of receipt of this Order.** License will be reinstated upon payment of the fine.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Insurance Commissioner that this Order is a Conditional Order. Unless the Respondent requests a hearing with respect to the Allegations of Fact set forth above within thirty (30) days of the date of mailing of this Order, this Order and the penalties set forth above shall become a Final Order on the thirty-first day following the date of mailing this Order. A request for hearing should be in writing addressed to Julie Meaders, Oklahoma Insurance Department, Legal Division, Post Office Box 53408, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73152-3408. The request for hearing must state the grounds for the request to set aside or modify the Order.

Any such hearing shall be conducted according to the procedures for contested cases under the Insurance Code and 75 O.S. § 250-323. If the Respondent serves a timely request for hearing on the Oklahoma Insurance Department, this Conditional Order shall act as notice of the matters to be reviewed at the hearing, and the Allegations of Fact, Alleged Violations 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 10th day of March, 2011.



JOHN D. DOAK
INSURANCE COMMISSIONER
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I, Julie Meaders, 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 certified mail with postage prepaid and return receipt requested on this 10th day of March, 2011 to:

Christopher Darren Stephens



CERTIFIED MAIL NO. 7008 1830 0003 9410 8581

and that notification was sent to:

NAIC/RIRS

and that a copy was delivered to:

Leah Scoles
Licensing Division

Julie Meaders
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