



CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
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STATE OF FLORIDA

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IN THE MATTER OF:

CASE NO.: 172462-15-AG

WILLIAM R. DUCKETT
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CONSENT ORDER

THIS CAUSE came on for consideration and final agency action. Upon consideration of the record, including the Settlement Stipulation for Consent Order dated April 23, 2015, and being otherwise fully advised in the premises, the Chief Financial Officer finds:

1. The Chief Financial Officer, as agency head of the Florida Department of Financial Services (the "Department"), has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this case and the parties.

2. The entry of this Consent Order and compliance herewith by William R. Duckett (the "Respondent"), license #D048045, shall conclude the administrative proceeding of Case No. 172462-15-AG before the Department.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(a) The Settlement Stipulation for Consent Order dated April 23, 2015, and attached hereto as "Exhibit A," is hereby approved and fully incorporated herein by reference.

(b) The Respondent's license and eligibility for licensure and appointments shall be suspended for a period of three (3) months pursuant to sections 648.49(1) and 648.50(1),

Florida Statutes. Within ten (10) calendar days of the issuance of this Consent Order, the Respondent shall return to the Department of Financial Services, Bureau of Licensing, 200 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0319, all licenses issued to the Respondent pursuant to the Florida Insurance Code.

(c) During the period of suspension of the license or appointment, the Respondent shall not engage in or attempt or profess to engage in any transaction or business for which a license or appointment is required under the Florida Insurance Code and shall not be employed by any bail bond agent, have any ownership interest in any business involving bail bonds, or have any financial interest of any type in any bail bond business during the period of revocation or suspension.

(d) At the end of the three (3) month period of suspension, the Respondent shall be entitled to file an application for reinstatement of licensure, pursuant to Florida Statutes 648.315 and 648.49. However, the Respondent's license shall not be reinstated if the circumstances for which the license was suspended still exist or are likely to recur.


(e) The Respondent shall designate a primary bail bond agent immediately but in no more than ten (10) days after the issuance of this Consent Order, shall maintain a bail bond agency open to the public for reasonable business hours, and shall display proper signage.

(f) Any person who knowingly transacts insurance or otherwise engages in insurance activities in this state without a license, or while the license is suspended or revoked, commits a felony of the third degree.

(g) If the Department has good cause to believe that the Respondent has violated any condition of this Consent Order, then the Respondent authorizes the Department to seek the immediate enforcement of the order in the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit, in and for Leon County, in Tallahassee, Florida. If such an enforcement order is granted, then the Respondent agrees that he shall be liable to the Department for all reasonable costs and attorneys fees expended in the enforcement action.

DONE and ORDERED this 14th day of MAY, 2015.




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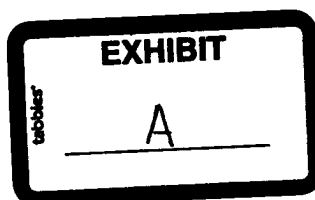
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SETTLEMENT STIPULATION FOR CONSENT ORDER

IT IS HEREBY AGREED and STIPULATED by and between William R. Duckett (the "Respondent") and the State of Florida, Department of Financial Services (the "Department"), that:

1. The Respondent is currently licensed as a Bail Bond Agent. At all times relevant to the dates and occurrences referred to herein, the Respondent was so licensed in this state.
2. Pursuant to chapter 648, Florida Statutes, the Department has jurisdiction over the Respondent's licensure and eligibility for licensure and appointment in this state and the subject matter of this proceeding.
3. The Department conducted an investigation of the Respondent in his capacity as a licensee. As a result thereof, the Department alleges that the Respondent failed to designate a primary bail bond agent, failed to maintain a bail bond agency open to the public for reasonable business hours, and failed to display the proper signage. In order to avoid formal litigation of



this matter, the Respondent has determined that it is in his best interests to enter into this Settlement Stipulation for Consent Order.

4. The Respondent voluntarily waives the right to a hearing in this matter and voluntarily enters into this Settlement Stipulation for Consent Order.

5. The Respondent voluntarily waives receipt of an administrative complaint pursuant to section 120.60(5), Florida Statutes, or any notice or charges other than this Settlement Stipulation for Consent Order.

6. By entering into this Settlement Stipulation For Consent Order and by the filing of a Consent Order in this case, the Respondent and the Department intend to and do resolve all issues pertaining to the license disciplinary administrative penalties to be imposed against the Respondent based on the allegations in paragraph 3 above.

7. No party will appeal this Settlement Stipulation For Consent Order or the Consent Order to be issued in this case, and the parties specifically waive notice of the right to appeal as required by section 120.569(1), Florida Statutes.

8. This document is a public record and contains information which is routinely published by the Department.

9. Each party to this proceeding shall bear its own costs and attorneys fees, unless otherwise provided herein.

10. This Settlement Stipulation For Consent Order is subject to the approval of the Chief Financial Officer or his designee. Upon his approval, and without further notice, the Chief Financial Officer or his designee may issue a Consent Order providing for the following:

(a) Incorporation by reference of all the terms and conditions of this Settlement Stipulation For Consent Order.

(b) The Respondent's license and eligibility for licensure and appointments shall be SUSPENDED for a period of three (3) months pursuant to sections 648.49(1) and 648.50(1), Florida Statutes. Within ten (10) calendar days of the issuance of the Consent Order, the Respondent shall return to the Department of Financial Services, Bureau of Licensing, 200 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0319, all licenses issued to the Respondent pursuant to the Florida Insurance Code.

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11. The Respondent certifies that the address and e-mail address below the Respondent's signature are valid addresses.

12. The Respondent agrees that the Consent Order may be sent to the Respondent via the e-mail address below the Respondent's signature.

DATED and SIGNED this 23 day of April, 2015.



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