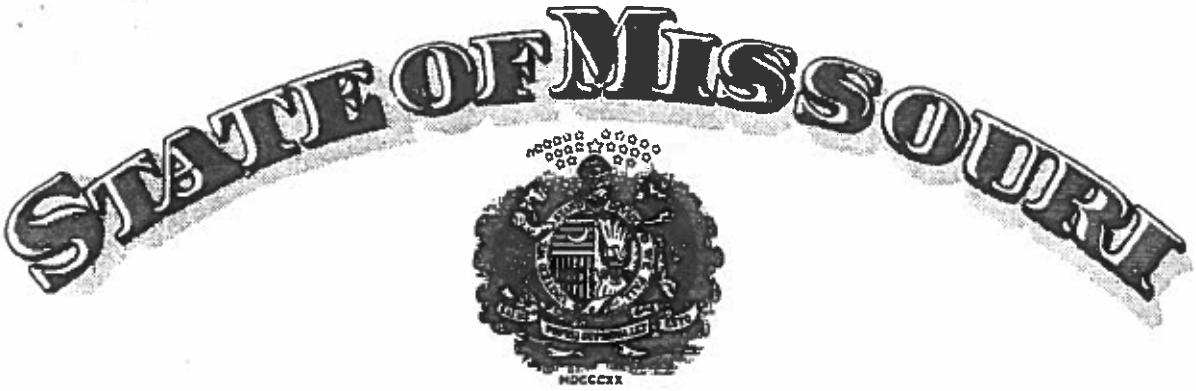


# DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION

P.O. Box 690, Jefferson City, Mo. 65102-0690

IN RE: FIRST STATE TITLE SERVICES, LLC TRACKING ID 267092
P. O. BOX 18
CARUTHERSVILLE, MO 63830

## VOLUNTARY FORFEITURE AGREEMENT

It is hereby agreed by First State Title Services, LLC ("First") and the Consumer Affairs Division of the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, as follows:

WHEREAS, John M. Huff, is the duly appointed Director of the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, State of Missouri (hereinafter, "Director" of the "Department"), whose duties, pursuant to Chapters 374, 375 and 381, RSMo, include the supervision and regulation of the business of insurance;

WHEREAS, the Consumer Affairs Division of the Department is charged with investigating producers and companies engaged in the business of insurance pursuant to Sections 374.085 and 374.190, RSMo and is authorized by the Director to recommend enforcement action under the laws relating to insurance;

WHEREAS, First currently holds an active license as a business entity producer with the Department, pursuant to Chapter 375, RSMo;

WHEREAS, the Consumer Affairs Division has received information concerning First's failure to timely file the Annual Financial Interest Report and Affiliated Arrangement Report that were due March 31, 2016, which is a violation of Sections 381.029.3 and 381.029.4, RSMo (Supp. 2013) and Missouri regulation 20 CSR 500-7.070 and subjects First to enforcement action by the Director;

WHEREAS, First has been informed of its right to counsel and of its right to contest any attempt by the Department to discipline its insurance producer license, and states that it understands its rights to contest any such actions;

AND WHEREAS, First acknowledges and admits for purposes of this Agreement and for purposes of any future action by the Director or the Consumer Affairs Division based on any additional violation of the insurance laws or regulations by First, in which action the Director or the Consumer Affairs Division alleges that the violations described herein form part of a course of conduct, a business practice, or other such series of similar violations, or that future violations by First are committed knowingly, intentionally or in conscious disregard of the law, that it failed to timely file the Annual Financial Interest Report and Affiliated Arrangement Report that were due March 31, 2016, which is a violation of Sections 381.029.3 and 381.029.4, RSMo (Supp. 2013) and Missouri regulation 20 CSR 500-7.070.

NOW, THEREFORE, in lieu of any recommendation or initiation by the Consumer Affairs Division of any action based on the violations cited in this Agreement, and after being afforded the opportunity to consult legal counsel, First does hereby

voluntarily and knowingly surrender and forfeit the sum of two hundred fifty dollars ($250.00), such sum to be paid into the State School Moneys Fund pursuant to Sections 374.046 and 374.280, RSMo.

First shall submit this sum to the Department by cashier's check or money order made payable to the State School Moneys Fund no later than May 9, 2016.

The parties agree that, should the Director or the Division in the future allege an additional violation of the insurance laws or regulations by First, nothing in this Agreement shall preclude the Director or the Consumer Affairs Division from introducing First's admissions contained in this Agreement as evidence that the acts described herein form part of a course of conduct, a business practice, or other such series of similar violations, or for purposes of showing that such later alleged acts are committed knowingly, intentionally or in conscious disregard of the law.

DATED: 4/29/16

First State Title Services, LLC
By:
Its: Managing Member
License No. 8022849

DATED: 5/3/16

Carrie Couch, Director
Consumer Affairs Division

DATED: 5/11/16

John M. Huff, Director
Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration

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