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DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION

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

IN RE: MATTHEW LEFFERT
P. O. BOX 913
HILLSBORO, MO 63050

TRACKING ID 240136

VOLUNTARY FORFEITURE AGREEMENT

It is hereby agreed by Matthew Leffert 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 and 375, RSMo, include the supervision and regulation of the business of bail bonds;

WHEREAS, the Consumer Affairs Division of the Department is charged with investigating bail bond agents engaged in the bail bond business pursuant to Sections 374.085, 374.190 and 374.764 RSMo and is authorized by the Director to recommend enforcement action under the laws relating to bail bonds;

WHEREAS, Matthew Leffert is a licensed general bail bond agent and subject to Chapter 374, RSMo;

WHEREAS, the Consumer Affairs Division has received information concerning Matthew Leffert's violation of:

- **Section 374.702.3, RSMo (Supp. 2014) A licensed bail bond agent shall not execute or issue an appearance bond in this state without holding a valid appointment from a general bail bond agent and without attaching to the appearance bond an executed and prenumbered power of attorney referencing the general bail bond agent or insurer.**

and subjects Matthew Leffert to enforcement action by the Director;

WHEREAS, Matthew Leffert has been informed of his right to counsel and of his right to contest any attempt by the Department to discipline his general bail bond license, and states that he understands his rights to contest any such actions;

AND WHEREAS, Matthew Leffert, 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 bail bond laws or regulations by Matthew Leffert, 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 violations by Matthew Leffert are committed knowingly, intentionally or in conscious disregard of the law, that he executed bail bonds without holding a valid appointment from a general bail bond agent and such conduct violated Section 374.702.3, RSMo,

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, Matthew Leffert does hereby voluntarily and knowingly surrender and forfeit the sum of seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($750.00), such sum to be paid into the State School Moneys Fund pursuant to Sections 374.046 and 374.280, RSMo.

Matthew Leffert 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 July 10, 2015.

The parties agree that, should the Director or the Division in the future allege an additional violation of the insurance laws or regulations by Matthew Leffert, nothing in this Agreement shall preclude the Director or the Consumer Affairs Division from introducing Matthew Leffert'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: 8/3/2015

Matthew B. Leffert
Matthew Leffert
General Bail Bond Agent
Lic #: 0305503

DATED: 8/17/15

Carrie Couch
Carrie Couch, Acting Director
Consumer Affairs Division

DATED: 8/18/15

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

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