

# DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION

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

IN THE MATTER OF:	)	
AMANDA DEE SCOTT ALLYN,	)	Case No. 180705774C
Applicant.	)	

### **CONSENT ORDER**

Chlora Lindley-Myers, Director of the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, takes up the above-referenced matter for consideration and disposition. The Consumer Affairs Division, through counsel, Terra Sapp, and Applicant Amanda Dee Scott Allyn, have reached a settlement in this matter and Applicant Amanda Dee Scott Allyn has consented to the issuance of this Consent Order.

1. Chlora Lindley-Myers is the duly appointed Director of the Missouri Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions, and Professional Registration ("Director" of the "Department") whose duties, pursuant to Chapter 374 RSMo, include supervision, regulation, and discipline of bail bond agents.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All statutory references are to the Revised Statues of Missouri 2016 unless otherwise noted.

- 2. The Consumer Affairs Division of the Department ("Division") has the duty of conducting investigations into the unfair or unlawful acts of bail bond agents under the laws of this state and is authorized to initiate this action before the Director to enforce the laws of this state.
- 3. On or about January 24, 2018, the Department received Amanda Dee Scott Allyn's ("Scott Allyn") completed Missouri Uniform Application for Bail Bond or Surety Recovery License Application ("Application").
- 4. On and with the Application, Scott Allyn disclosed a felony conviction and provided court records that revealed that: On September 29, 2003, Scott Allyn pleaded guilty in the Laclede County Circuit Court to the Class C Felony of Forgery, violating § 570.090.<sup>2</sup> State v. Amanda D Thorton<sup>3</sup>, Laclede County Cir. Ct., Case No. 26R030300624. The court suspended the imposition of sentence and placed Scott Allyn on five years' probation. *Id.* On June 27, 2006 the court revoked her probation and sentenced her to 120 days' incarceration in the Missouri Department of Corrections with institutional treatment. *Id.* Scott Allyn was discharged from supervision by the Missouri Board of Probation and Parole on October 4, 2011. *Id.*
- 5. Scott Allyn acknowledges and understands that the Director may refuse to issue Scott Allyn a bail bond agent license under § 374.755.1(6) because Scott Allyn violated the obligations imposed by the laws of this state.
- 6. Scott Allyn acknowledges and understands that she has the right to consult legal counsel at her own expense.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> All criminal statutory references are to that version of RSMo in effect at the time the crime was committed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Scott Allyn was formally known as Amanda D Thorton in 2003, when the forgery conviction was imposed.

- 7. Scott Allyn stipulates and agrees to waive any waivable rights to a hearing before the Administrative Hearing Commission or the Director, any waivable rights to seek judicial review, and any waivable rights to challenge or contest the terms and conditions of this Consent Order. Scott Allyn further stipulates and agrees to forever release and hold harmless the Department, the Director and her agents, and the Consumer Affairs Division from all liability and claims arising out of, pertaining to, or relating to this matter.
- 8. Scott Allyn acknowledges and understands that this Consent Order is an administrative action and that the Department will report it to other states. Scott Allyn further acknowledges and understands that this administrative action should be disclosed on her future applications and renewal applications and that she is responsible for complying with the reporting requirements of each state in which she may be licensed.
- 9. Each signatory to this Consent Order certifies by signing that he or she is fully authorized, in his or her own capacity or by the named party he or she represents, to accept the terms and provisions of this Consent Order in their entirety and agrees, in his or her personal or representational capacity, to be bound by the terms of this Consent Order.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

10. Section 374.755, RSMo 2016, provides the following, in pertinent part:

The department may cause a complaint to be filed with the administrative hearing commission as provided by chapter 621, RSMo, against any holder of any license required by sections 374.695 to 374.755 or any person who has failed to renew or has surrendered his or her license for any one or any combination of the following causes:

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(6) Violation of any provision of or any obligation imposed by the laws of this state, department of insurance rules or regulations, or aiding or abetting other persons to violate such laws, orders, rules or regulations, or subpoenas[.]

- 11. The Director may refuse to issue a bail bond agent license to Scott Allyn pursuant to § 374.755.1(6) because Scott Allyn violated the following obligations imposed by the laws of this state:
- a. Scott Allyn violated § 570.090 as demonstrated by her conviction for Forgery. State v. Amanda D. Thorton, Laclede County Cir. Ct., Case No. 26R030300624.
- 12. The Director is authorized to settle this matter and issue this Consent Order in the public interest pursuant to §§ 374.046, 536.060, and 621.045.
- 13. The terms set forth in this Consent Order are an appropriate disposition of this matter and issuance of this Consent Order is in the public interest.

#### **ORDER**

IT IS ORDERED that the Department will issue a bail bond agent license to Amanda Dee Scott Allyn, subject to the terms set forth herein and the following special conditions:

- 1. Amanda Dee Scott Allyn shall report to the Consumer Affairs Division any violation of or failure to comply with Missouri bail bond regulations and Missouri bail bond laws, including those set forth in Chapter 374, within five (5) business days of such violation or failure to comply.
- 2. Amanda Dee Scott Allyn shall respond to all inquiries from the Consumer Affairs Division in accordance with 20 CSR 100-4.100 (2)(A).
- 3. If a complaint is communicated directly to Amanda Dee Scott Allyn, she shall send the Consumer Affairs Division a copy of the complaint and a copy of her response to the consumer within five (5) business days of receipt of the consumer complaint.

- 4. Amanda Dee Scott Allyn shall report to the Consumer Affairs Division any and all of the following incidents involving Scott Allyn: the first court hearing or appearance in any criminal proceeding, guilty plea, *Alford* plea, nolo contendere plea, finding of guilt, or conviction for a felony or misdemeanor. Scott Allyn shall report all such incidents to the Consumer Affairs Division within five (5) business days of their occurrence.
- 5. Amanda Dee Scott Allyn shall report to the Consumer Affairs Division any administrative action undertaken or initiated against Scott Allyn in another jurisdiction or by another governmental agency in this state within the five (5) business days after Scott Allyn receives notification of the initiation of such administrative action.
- 6. The special conditions listed in paragraphs 1 through 6 will expire upon the earlier of expiration, lapse, termination, revocation, or renewal of Amanda Dee Scott Allyn's bail bond agent license, whichever occurs first.

IT IS ORDERED that, for two (2) years subsequent to the date that Amanda Dee Scott Allyn is issued a bail bond agent license, Amanda Dee Scott Allyn will voluntarily surrender her bail bond agent license to the Department within five (5) business days of Scott Allyn entering a guilty plea, entering a nolo contendere plea or *Alford* plea, being found guilty, or being convicted for a felony, regardless of whether the sentence is suspended or executed.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if Amanda Dee Scott Allyn fully complies with the terms of this Consent Order and no cause for the Director to discipline Scott Allyn's bail bond agent license can be found, then Scott Allyn may apply to renew her bail bond agent license, and the Director shall consider her renewal application in accordance with Chapter

374 without regard to Scott Allyn's prior felony conviction in State v. Amanda D. Thorton, Laclede County Cir. Ct., Case No. 26R030300624 or the underlying conduct.

IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that the Director may pursue additional legal remedies, as determined appropriate by the Director, without limitation as authorized by Chapter 374 including remedies for violation of or failure to comply with the terms of this Consent Order.

SO ORDERED, SIGNED, AND OFFICIAL SEAL AFFIXED THIS 30

, 2019.

Missouri Department of Insurance, Financial

Institutions and Professional Registration

## **CONSENT AND WAIVER OF HEARING**

The undersigned persons understand and acknowledge that Scott Allyn has the right to a hearing, but that Amanda Dee Scott Allyn has waived the hearing and agreed to the issuance of this Consent Order.

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