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State of Missouri

DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION

IN RE:)	
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DALLAS MCKEE STANDEFER,)	Case No. 171026404C
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Applicant.)	

ORDER REFUSING TO RENEW A MOTOR VEHICLE EXTENDED SERVICE CONTRACT PRODUCER LICENSE

On November 9, 2017, the Consumer Affairs Division ("Division") submitted a Petition to the Director alleging cause for refusing to renew Dallas McKee Standefer's motor vehicle extended service contract producer license. After reviewing the Petition, the Investigative Report, and other relevant documents, the Director issues the following findings of fact, conclusions of law and order:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Dallas McKee Standefer ("Standefer") is a Missouri resident with a residential and mailing address of 633 Savannah Garden, O'Fallon, Missouri 63366.
- 2. On November 6, 2015, Standefer applied for a motor vehicle extended service contract producer license ("2015 Application"). The Director approved Standefer's 2015 Application and issued a license to Standefer on November 16, 2015 (license number 8364438). Standefer's license expires on November 16, 2017.
- 3. On October 16, 2017, the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration ("Department") received Standefer's Application for Motor Vehicle Extended Service Contract Producer License Renewal ("Renewal Application").
- 4. Background Information Question Number 1 on the Renewal Application asks, in part, as follows:

Have you ever been convicted of a crime, had a judgment withheld or deferred, received a suspended imposition of sentence ("SIS") or suspended execution of sentence ("SES"), or are you currently charged with committing a crime, which has not been previously reported to this insurance department?

- 5. Standefer answered "Yes" to Background Information Question Number 1.
- 6. Standefer enclosed non-certified documentation from two cases with his Renewal Application: State v. Dallas McKee Standefer, St. Louis Co. Cir. Ct., Case No. 16SL-CR07375-01, and State v. Dallas McKee Standefer, St. Charles Co. Cir. Ct., Case No. 1611-CR03472-01. Standefer also enclosed a letter of explanation and indicated that he had been addicted to heroin.
- 7. The Division's investigation revealed the following information regarding the two cases that Standefer disclosed in conjunction with his Renewal Application:
 - a. On January 18, 2017, the St. Louis County Prosecuting Attorney charged Standefer with one count of the Class C Felony of Possession of a Controlled Substance, in violation of § 195.202, RSMo Non Cum. Supp. 2014, based upon events that occurred on March 16, 2016. State v. Dallas McKee Standefer, St. Louis Co. Cir. Ct., Case No. 16SL-CR07375-01. Arraignment was held on February 8, 2017. Id. On July 27, 2017, Standefer pled guilty to the charge. Id. Also on July 27, 2017, the court suspended imposition of sentence and placed Standefer on supervised probation for five years, with various conditions. Id.
 - b. On August 16, 2017, the St. Charles County Prosecuting Attorney charged Standefer with one count of the Class C Felony of Possession of a Controlled Substance, in violation of § 195.202, RSMo Non Cum. Supp. 2014, based upon events that occurred on January 20, 2016, and one count of the Class A Misdemeanor of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia with Intent to Use, in violation of § 195.233, RSMo Non Cum. Supp. 2014, based upon events that occurred on January 20, 2016. State v. Dallas McKee Standefer, St. Charles Co. Cir. Ct., Case No. 1611-CR03472-01. Arraignment was held and Standefer waived formal arraignment on September 11, 2017. Id. The case is currently set for plea on November 13, 2017. Id.
- 8. Standefer did not notify the Department about his felony drug case in St. Louis County (State v. Dallas McKee Standefer, St. Louis Co. Cir. Ct., Case No. 16SL-

- CR07375-01) at any time prior to the filing of his Renewal Application on October 16, 2017.
- 9. The Division' investigation also revealed that Standefer was prosecuted in 2013 in Madison County, Illinois for the following crimes:
 - a. On May 7, 2013, Standefer pled guilty to Resisting a Peace Officer, a Class A Misdemeanor, in violation of § 720 5/31-1(a) of the Illinois Criminal Code of 2012. State of Illinois v. Dallas M. Standefer, Madison Co., IL, Case No. 2013CM200068. Also on May 7, 2013, the court withheld judgment and placed Standefer on one year of supervision, and ordered Standefer to pay fines and costs.
 - b. Also on May 7, 2013, Standefer pled guilty to Assault, a Class C Misdemeanor, in violation of § 720 5/12-1(a) of the Illinois Criminal Code of 2012. State of Illinois v. Dallas M. Standefer, Madison Co., IL, Case No. 2013CM200069. Also on May 7, 2013, the court withheld judgment and placed Standefer on one year of supervision, and ordered Standefer to pay fines and costs.
- 10. Standefer did not disclose his two Madison County, Illinois criminal cases (State of Illinois v. Dallas M. Standefer, Madison Co., IL, Case No. 2013CM200068 and State of Illinois v. Dallas M. Standefer, Madison Co., IL, Case No. 2013CM200069) in his Renewal Application or in his 2015 Application, nor did he ever report these Illinois cases to the Department.
- 11. It is inferable, and hereby found as fact, that Standefer failed to disclose his two Illinois criminal cases to the Department in his Renewal Application and in his 2015 Application, and otherwise failed to report these Illinois cases to the Department, in an attempt to minimize his criminal history and to increase the chances that the Director would issue a license to him. Indeed, this strategy worked when the Director approved Standefer's 2015 Application and issued Standefer a license in 2015.
- 12. Background Information Question Number 2 on the Renewal Application asks, in part, as follows:

Have you ever been named or involved as a party in an administrative proceeding or action regarding any professional or occupational license or registration, or regarding the lack of such a license or registration, which has not been previously reported to this insurance department?

"Involved" means having a license censured, suspended, revoked, canceled, terminated or being assessed a fine, a voluntary forfeiture, a cease and desist order, a probation order, a consent order, or being placed on probation. "Involved" also includes the act of surrendering a license to resolve an administrative proceeding or action. "Involved" also means being named as a party to an administrative or arbitration proceeding which is related to a professional or occupational license or is related to the lack of such license. "Involved" also means having a license application denied or the act of withdrawing an application to avoid a denial....

(Emphasis supplied).

- 13. Standefer answered "No" to Background Information Question Number 2 on the Renewal Application.
- 14. Contrary to his "No" answer to Background Information Question Number 2 on the Renewal Application, Standefer was involved in an administrative proceeding or action regarding any professional license or lack of such a license in 2011 when he withdrew an application for licensure that he had previously filed with the Department. More particularly, on December 2, 2011, Standefer filed an Application for Motor Vehicle Extended Service Contract Producer License ("2011 Application"). Standefer failed to disclose various misdemeanor convictions and the Division notified Standefer that it intended to recommend refusal of his application. On or about January 27, 2012, Standefer withdrew his 2011 Application.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

15. Section 385.209.1, RSMo Supp. 2013, provides, in relevant part:

The director may suspend, revoke, refuse to issue, or refuse to renew a registration or license under sections 385.200 to 385.220 for any of the following causes, if the applicant or licensee or the applicant's or licensee's subsidiaries or affiliated entities acting on behalf of the applicant or licensee in connection with the applicant's or licensee's motor vehicle extended service contract program has:

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- (2) Violated any provision in sections 385.200 to 385.220, or violated any rules, subpoena, or order of the director; [or]
- (3) Obtained or attempted to obtain a license through material misrepresentation or fraud[.]
- 16. Section 385.209.7, RSMo Supp. 2013, provides:

Within thirty days of the initial pretrial hearing date or arraignment, a producer shall report to the director any felony proceeding initiated by any state or the United States for any violation of law by the producer. The report shall include a copy of the indictment or information filed, the order resulting from the hearing and any other relevant legal documents.

- 17. The Director may refuse to renew Standefer's motor vehicle extended service contract producer license under § 385.209.1(2), RSMo Supp. 2013, because Standefer violated § 385.209.7, RSMo Supp. 2013. Standefer was charged with a drug felony in St. Louis County, and arraignment was held on February 8, 2017, but Standefer did not notify the Department that he had been charged with a violation of state law within 30 days of that arraignment date. Indeed, Standefer did not notify the Department about his new felony drug charge at all, even though he pled guilty to the charge in July 2017, until he filed his Renewal Application in October 2017.
- 18. The Director may refuse to renew Standefer's motor vehicle extended service contract producer license under § 385.209.1(3), RSMo Supp. 2013, because Standefer obtained or attempted to obtain a license through material misrepresentation or fraud. Standefer disclosed two new Missouri criminal cases against him in response to Background Information Question Number 1 on the Renewal Application, but he did not disclose his two cases from 2013 in Illinois (State of Illinois v. Dallas M. Standefer, Madison Co., IL, Case No. 2013CM200068 and State of Illinois v. Dallas M. Standefer, Madison Co., IL, Case No. 2013CM200069) in his Renewal Application, in his 2015 Application, or otherwise. Indeed, Standefer has never disclosed these Illinois cases and, based upon his misrepresentations in that regard, the Director issued Standefer a license in 2015.
- 19. The Director may refuse to renew Standefer's motor vehicle extended service contract producer license under § 385.209.1(3), RSMo Supp. 2013, because Standefer obtained or attempted to obtain a license through material misrepresentation or fraud. Standefer answered "No" to the question regarding

administrative actions on the Renewal Application when, in fact, he withdrew his 2011 Application when he learned that the Division was going to recommend that his 2011 Application be refused.

- 20. Each time that Standefer obtained or attempted to obtain a license through material misrepresentation or fraud constitutes separate and sufficient grounds to refuse to renew Standefer's motor vehicle extended service contract producer license under § 385.209.1(3).
- 21. The above-described instances constitute grounds upon which the Director may refuse to renew Standefer's motor vehicle extended service contract producer license. Standefer failed to timely notify the Department that he had been charged with a violation of law (regarding possession of controlled substances) and he failed to disclose that he withdrew a prior application. Finally, Standefer failed to disclose two cases against him in Illinois, where he pled guilty to two misdemeanors. Standefer did not disclose these Illinois cases in his Renewal Application or in his 2015 Application, and he never otherwise reported them to the Department.
- 22. The Director has considered Standefer's history and all of the circumstances surrounding Standefer's Renewal Application. Renewing Standefer's motor vehicle extended service contract producer license would not be in the interest of the public. Accordingly, the Director exercises her discretion to refuse renew Standefer's motor vehicle extended service contract producer license.
- 23. This Order is in the public interest.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the motor vehicle extended service contract producer license Renewal Application of Dallas McKee Standefer is hereby REFUSED.

SO ORDERED.

WITNESS MY HAND THIS 9^{th} DAY OF November, 2017.

CHLORA LINDLEY-MYERS

DIRECTOR

NOTICE

TO: Applicant and any unnamed persons aggrieved by this Order:

You may request a hearing in this matter. You may do so by filing a complaint with the Administrative Hearing Commission of Missouri, P.O. Box 1557, Jefferson City, Missouri, within 30 days after the mailing of this notice pursuant to Section 621.120, RSMo. Pursuant to 1 CSR 15-3.290, unless you send your complaint by registered or certified mail, it will not be considered filed until the Administrative Hearing Commission receives it.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 13th day of November, 2017, a copy of the foregoing Order and Notice was served upon the Renewal Applicant in this matter by UPS, with signature required, at the following address:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 16th day of November, 2017, a copy of the foregoing Order and Notice was served upon the Renewal Applicant in this matter by USPS, certified mail, at the following address:

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I hereby certify that on this 22nd day of November, 2017, a copy of the foregoing Order and Notice was served upon the Renewal Applicant in this matter by USPS, first class mail, at the following address:

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