

## DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION

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

IN RE: LAFAYETTE TITLE COMPANY 763 S. NEW BALLAS RD. ST. LOUIS, MO 63141-8712 TRACKING ID 262305

## VOLUNTARY FORFEITURE AGREEMENT

It is hereby agreed by Lafayette Title Company ("Lafayette") and the Consumer

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, Lafayette 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 Lafayette's failure to properly disclose "premium" as defined in Section 381.031(14), RSMo (Supp. 2013) in violation of Section 381.019.1, RSMo (Supp. 2013) and failed to properly disclose "premium" on all title insurance policies issued July 26, 2011, to January 21, 2016, which is a violation of 20 CSR 500-7.130(1)(B) and Section 381.181.2, RSMo (Supp. 2013) and subjects Lafayette to enforcement action by the Director;

WHEREAS, Lafayette 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, Lafayette, 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 Lafayette, 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 Lafayette are committed knowingly, intentionally or in conscious disregard of the law, that it failed to properly disclose "premium" as defined in Section 381.031(14), RSMo (Supp. 2013) in violation of Section 381.019.1, RSMo (Supp. 2013) and failed to properly disclose "premium" on all title insurance policies issued July 26, 2011, to January 21, 2016, which is a violation of 20 CSR 500-7.130(1)(B) and Section 381.181.2, RSMo (Supp. 2013);

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,

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and after being afforded the opportunity to consult legal counsel, Lafayette does hereby voluntarily and knowingly surrender and forfeit the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00), such sum to be paid into the State School Moneys Fund pursuant to Sections 374.046 and 374.280, RSMo.

Lafayette 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 March 21, 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 Lafayette, nothing in this Agreement shall preclude the Director or the Consumer Affairs Division from introducing Lafayette'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:

3/21/14 DATED:

Lafavette Title Company By Joanna W. License No.

Carrie Couch, Director Consumer Affairs Division

DATED 3.73.14 ohn M. Huff, Director

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

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