



**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND INSURANCE**

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

**IN RE:** )  
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 **TANNER LEE PARADEIS,** ) **Case No. 2209200646C**  
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 **Applicant.** )

**ORDER REFUSING TO ISSUE RESIDENT INSURANCE PRODUCER LICENSE**

CHLORA LINDLEY-MYERS, Director of the Missouri Department of Commerce and Insurance, takes up this matter for consideration and disposition. After reviewing the Petition, the Investigative Report, and other relevant documents, the Director issues these findings of fact, conclusions of law and order:

**FINDINGS OF FACTS**

1. Tanner Lee Paradeis (“Paradeis”) is a Missouri resident with a reported residential, business and mailing address of 21731 Aspen Road, Sarcoxie, Missouri 64862. His reported business and individual email address is Tparadeis37@gmail.com.
2. On March 10, 2022, the Department of Commerce and Insurance (“Department”) received Paradeis’ electronic application for a resident insurance producer license (“Application”).
3. Background Question No. 1A on his Application asks:  
  
Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor, had a judgment withheld or deferred, or are you currently charged with committing a misdemeanor? You may exclude the following misdemeanor convictions or pending misdemeanor charges: traffic citations, driving under the influence (DUI),

driving while intoxicated (DWI), driving without a license, reckless driving, or driving with a suspended or revoked license. You may also exclude juvenile adjudications (offenses where you were adjudicated delinquent in a juvenile court)

4. Paradeis answered “Yes” to Background Question No. 1A on his Application, provided an explanation for his criminal history and uploaded documents to the National Insurance Producer’s Registry, Attachment Warehouse.
5. Background Question No. 1.B. on his Application states:

Have you ever been convicted of a felony, had a judgment withheld or deferred, or are you currently charged with committing a felony? You may exclude juvenile adjudications (offenses where you were adjudicated delinquent in a juvenile court)
6. Paradeis answered “No” to Background Question No. 1B on his Application.
7. Although Paradeis answered “No” to Background Question No. 1B and “Yes” to Background Question No. 1A, the documents he provided showed that on September 5, 2020, Paradeis was charged with the following:

Count 1—DWI-Persistent (Felony E RSMo 577.010);  
Count 2—Driving While Revoked/Suspended-1<sup>st</sup> Offense (Misdemeanor D RSMo 302.321); and  
Count 3—Operating A Motor Vehicle in a Careless and Imprudent Manner, Involving An Accident (Misdemeanor A RSMo 304.012).

*State v. Tanner L. Paradeis*, Lawrence Cty. Cir. Ct., Case No. 20SW-CR00877-01.

8. As indicated above in paragraph 7, while Paradeis failed to answer Background Question No. 1B correctly, the documents he provided did disclose that in addition to the two misdemeanor charges, he also had been charged with a felony.
9. On March 30, 2022, Dennis Fitzpatrick (“Fitzpatrick”), one of the Consumer Affairs Division’s (“Division”) Special Investigators, sent Paradeis an email asking him to provide certified copies of the court records from the criminal case pending in Lawrence County Circuit Court.
10. Paradeis did provide copies of the records from his criminal case, but he has not provided certified copies of the records.

11. The documents Paradeis provided in response to Fitzpatrick’s request show that on May 10, 2022, the Lawrence County Circuit Court accepted Paradeis’ guilty plea to Count I of the Information, Driving While Intoxicated-Persistent, a Class E Felony, in violation of § 577.010,<sup>1</sup> found Paradeis guilty of the Class E Felony and sentenced him to three years on Count I. The court then suspended execution of his sentence and ordered that he be placed on probation for a period of five years. The state dismissed Counts II and III of the Information. *Id.*

**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

12. Section 375.141 states, in relevant part:
  1. The director may suspend, revoke, refuse to issue or refuse to renew an insurance producer license for any one or more of the following causes:

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    - (6) Having been convicted of a felony or crime involving moral turpitude[.]
13. The Director may refuse to issue Paradeis a resident insurance producer license pursuant to § 375.141.1(6) because he has been convicted of a felony.
14. Accordingly, and for all of the reasons given in the Petition, the Director has considered Paradeis’ history and all of the circumstances surrounding Paradeis’ Application and exercises her discretion to refuse Paradeis’ Application for an insurance producer license.
15. This Order is in the public interest.

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<sup>1</sup> All civil statutory references are to the Revised Statutes of Missouri (2016) unless otherwise indicated. All criminal statutory references are to the Revised Statutes of Missouri in effect at the time of the offense charged.

**ORDER**

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED** that the insurance producer license application of **Tanner Lee Paradeis** is hereby **REFUSED**.

**SO ORDERED.**

**WITNESS MY HAND THIS** 17<sup>th</sup> **DAY OF** October, 2022.



*Chlora Lindley-Myers*  
**CHLORA LINDLEY-MYERS**  
**DIRECTOR**

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## **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 18th day of October, 2022, a copy of the foregoing Order and Notice was served upon the Applicant in this matter by United States Parcel Service, signature required, at the following address:

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