

STATE OF MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION

IN THE MATTER OF:)
William Lee Warden) Case No. 05A000593
Applicant.)
Serve at:)
12959 Hencher Road DeSoto MO 63020)))

REFUSAL TO RENEW BAIL BOND AGENT LICENSE

On August 29, 2006, Kathyrn Turner, as senior counsel for the Investigations Section of the Consumer Affairs Division, submitted a petition to the Director alleging cause for refusing to renew the bail bond agent license of William Lee Warden ("Applicant"). After reviewing the petition, and the investigative report, the Director issues the following findings of fact, conclusions of law and summary order:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. William Lee Warden ("Applicant") is a Missouri resident with a last known address of 12959 Hencher Road, DeSoto, Missouri 63020.
- 2. On January 12, 2006, Applicant submitted an application to renew his bail bond agent license with the Department of Insurance.
- 3. Applicant's bail bond agent license expired on December 31, 2005.
- 4. Applicant submitted his original application for licensure as a bail bond agent on December 30, 2004. To the question regarding being convicted of any felony or misdemeanor or currently having pending misdemeanor or felony charges filed against you, Applicant answered, "No".

- On or about October 7, 2004, Applicant was charged with the class A misdemeanors of Possession of Up to 35 Grams Marijuana, Unlawful Use of Drug Paraphernalia and Operated Motor Vehicle On Highway While Drivers License/Privilege Revoked (Suspended for Points). The charges were pending on December 30, 2004, the date Applicant submitted his application to the Department.
- 6. On or about April 1, 2005, Applicant pled guilty to the class A misdemeanor of Possession of Marijuana and was fined \$300.00 plus costs.
- 7. On January 19, 2006, February 22, 2006 and March 10, 2006, written requests for documentation concerning his criminal history and his failure to disclose the pending charges on his original application were mailed to the address on Applicant's record and to the new address indicated on Applicant's renewal request. Applicant failed to respond to all written requests.
- 8. This order is in the public interest.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

9. Section 374.750, RSMo 2000 provides:

The department may refuse to issue or renew any license required pursuant to sections 374.700 to 374.775 for any one or any combination of causes stated in section 374.755.

10. Section 374.755.1, RSMo Cum Supp 2005 provides, in part:

The department may cause a complaint to be filedfor any one or any combination of the following causes:

- (2) Final adjudication or a plea of guilty...within the past fifteen years in a criminal prosecution under any state...law for...a crime involving moral turpitude...whether or not sentence is imposed...
- (5) ...incompetency, misconduct...in the

performance of the functions or duties of the profession licensed or regulated by sections 374.695 to 374.775:

- 11. Applicant pled guilty to the class A misdemeanor of Possession of Up to 35 Grams Marijuana, a ground for refusal to renew his license under, Section 374.750 RSMo 2000 and Section 374.755.1(2) RSMo Cum Supp 2005.
- 12. Applicant engaged in incompetency and misconduct when he failed to respond to numerous written requests from the investigator, a ground for refusal to renew his license under Section 374.750 RSMo 2000 and Section 374.755.1(5) RSMo Cum Supp 2005.
- 13. This order is in the public interest.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the renewal of the bail bond agent license of Applicant William Lee Warden is hereby summarily REFUSED.

SO ORDERED.

WITNESS MY HAND THIS 6 DAY OF Sept. , 2006.

W. DALE FINKE DIRECTOR

DOUGLAS M. OMMEN DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL COUNSEL

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.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this $\underline{\gamma^{th}}$ day of $\underline{September}$, 2006, a copy of the foregoing notice, order and petition was served upon the Applicant in this matter by certified mail.

Karen Crutchfield

Senior Office Support Staff