

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE & INSURANCE

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

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IN RE: JOSHUA STEWARD 905 N CAMPBELL AVE SPRINGFIELD, MO 65802

VOLUNTARY FORFEITURE AGREEMENT

It is hereby agreed by Joshua Steward and the Division of Consumer Affairs ("Division") of the Department of Commerce and Insurance, as follows:

WHEREAS, Chlora Lindley-Myers, is the duly appointed Director of the Department of Commerce and Insurance, State of Missouri (hereinafter, "Director" of the "Department"), whose duties, pursuant to Chapters 374 and 375, RSMo, include the supervision and regulation of the business of insurance;

WHEREAS, the Division 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 bail bonds;

WHEREAS, Joshua Steward ("Steward") is a resident individual bail bond agent licensee with the Department, pursuant to Chapter 374, RSMo;

WHEREAS, the Division has received information concerning Steward's failure to notify a local law enforcement agency of his intention to apprehend and present a current certified copy of a bond, which is a violation of Section 374.757.1, RSMo (2016), and subjects Steward to enforcement action by the Director;

WHEREAS, Steward has been informed of his right to counsel and of his right to contest any attempt by the Department to discipline his bail bond agent license, and states that he understands his rights to contest any such actions;

AND WHEREAS, Steward acknowledges and admits for purposes of this Agreement and for purposes of any future action by the Director or the Division based on an additional violation of the bail bond laws or regulations by Steward, in which action the Director or the 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 Steward are committed knowingly, intentionally or in conscious disregard of the law, that he failed to notify a local law enforcement agency of his intention to apprehend and present a current certified copy of a bond, and that such conduct violated Sections 374.757.1, RSMo (2016);

NOW, THEREFORE, in lieu of any recommendation or initiation by the Division of any action based on the violations cited in this Agreement, and after being afforded the opportunity to consult legal counsel, Steward does hereby voluntarily and knowingly surrender and forfeit the sum of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00), such sum to be paid into the State School Moneys Fund pursuant to Sections 374.046 and 374.280, RSMo.

Steward 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 January 13, 2020.

The parties agree that, should the Director or the Division in the future allege an additional violation of the bail bond laws or regulations by Steward, nothing in this Agreement shall preclude the Director or the Division from introducing Steward'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: 1 - 13 - 2020

DATED: 1/21/2020

DATED: January 22, 2020

Joshua Steward Bail Bond Agent License #8466210

Carrie Couch, Director
Division of Consumer Affairs

Chlora Lindley-Myers, Director

Department of Commerce and Insurance

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