

State of Missouri

DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION

IN RE:)	
GREGORY TAYLOR POPE JR.,)	Case No. 1812271065C
GREGORI TATEOR TOTE 98.,)	Case 110. 10122/1003C
Applicant.)	

ORDER REFUSING TO ISSUE INSURANCE PRODUCER LICENSE

On January 15, 2019, the Consumer Affairs Division submitted a Petition to the Director alleging cause to refuse the resident insurance producer license application of Gregory Taylor Pope Jr. After reviewing the Petition, Investigative Report, and the entirety of the file, the Director issues the following findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Gregory Taylor Pope Jr. ("Pope") is a Missouri resident with an address of 2202 West Main Street, Greenwood, Missouri 64034-9681.
- 2. On August 3, 2018, the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration ("Department") received Pope's electronic application for a resident insurance producer license ("Application").
- 3. As required by the Application, Pope disclosed that he was charged with a crime at the time of submission.
- 4. Subsequently on September 20, 2018, Pope pled guilty to, and was convicted of, Possession of a Controlled Substance Except 35 Grams or Less of Marijuana/Synthetic Cannabinoid, a class D felony in violation of § 579.015, RSMo.¹ The court sentenced Pope to five years' incarceration, but suspended execution of the sentence and ordered him to complete five years' supervised probation. State v. Gregory Taylor Pope Jr., Clinton Co. Cir. Ct., Case No. 17CN-CR00661-01.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

5. Section 375.141.1, provides, in relevant part:

The director may suspend, revoke, refuse to issue or refuse to renew an

¹ All statutory references are to the 2016 Missouri Revised Statutes.

insurance producer license for any one or more of the following causes:

- (6) Having been convicted of a felony or crime involving moral turpitude[.]
- 6. The Director may refuse to issue Pope a resident insurance producer license pursuant to § 375.141.1(6) because he has been convicted of a felony, specifically Possession of a Controlled Substance Except 35 Grams or Less of Marijuana/Synthetic Cannabinoid. State v. Gregory Taylor Pope Jr., Clinton Co. Cir. Ct., Case No. 17CN-CR00661-01.
- 7. The Director has considered Pope's history and all of the circumstances surrounding Pope's Application. Issuing Pope a resident insurance producer license would not be in the interest of the public. Accordingly, the Director exercises her discretion to refuse to issue Pope a resident insurance producer license.
- 8. This Order is in the public interest.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the resident insurance producer license application of Gregory Taylor Pope Jr. is hereby REFUSED.

SO ORDERED.

WITNESS MY HAND THIS 14 DAY OF AUGUST

CHLORA LINDLEY-MYERS

DIRECTOR, Missouri Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration

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 15th day of August, 2019, a copy of the foregoing Order and Notice was served upon the Applicant in this matter by UPS, signature required service, at the following address:

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