

STATE OF INDIANA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF MARION)

BEFORE THE INDIANA
COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

CAUSE NUMBER: 12786-BB14-0523-003

IN THE MATTER OF:)
)
Angel D. Cooper,)
Respondent / Bail Agent.)
)
2132 Brown Street)
Fort Wayne, IN 46802)

FILED

JUN 27 2014

STATE OF INDIANA
DEPT. OF INSURANCE

Type of Agency Action: Bail Agent Enforcement
Indiana Bail Agent License No.: 5533

FINAL ORDER AND APPROVAL

The Indiana Department of Insurance (“Department”), by its counsel, Robert L. Hummel, and Angel D. Cooper (“Respondent”), a licensed bail agent, signed an Agreed Entry which purports to resolve all issues involved in an investigation by the Bail Bond Division (“Division”) and which has been submitted to the Commissioner of Insurance (“Commissioner”) for approval.

The Commissioner, after reviewing the Agreed Entry, finds it has been entered into fairly and without fraud, duress, or undue influence, and is fair and equitable between the parties. The Commissioner hereby incorporates the Agreed Entry as if fully set forth herein, and approves and adopts in full the Agreed Entry as a resolution of this matter.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Commissioner of Insurance:

1. Respondent shall pay a civil penalty in the amount of two hundred dollars (\$200.00), payable by personal check or money order to the Division, and due in full within thirty (30) days after the date of this Final Order.

2. Respondent waives her right to petition for judicial review of this Final Order.

ALL OF WHICH IS ORDERED this 27th day of June, 2014.



Stephen W. Robertson, Commissioner
Indiana Department of Insurance

Distribution:

Angel D. Cooper
2132 Brown Street
Fort Wayne, IN 46802

Robert L. Hummel, Attorney
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AGREED ENTRY

This Agreed Entry is executed by Robert L. Hummel, attorney for the Indiana Department of Insurance Bail Bond Division (“Division”), and Angel D. Cooper, (“Respondent”), a licensed Indiana bail bond agent, to resolve all issues concerning an investigation by the Division. This Agreed Entry is subject to the review and approval of Stephen W. Robertson, Commissioner, Indiana Department of Insurance.

WHEREAS, Respondent is a licensed bail bond agent, license number 5533; and

WHEREAS, on January 29, 2014 the Indiana Department of Insurance received a complaint that the Respondent’s business card was visible in the information window at the Allen County Jail and that Respondent displayed her business card in the jail lobby on a lanyard around her neck; and

WHEREAS, the Department and Respondent desire to resolve their differences and settle the issues without a hearing;

IT IS THEREFORE, NOW AGREED by and between the parties as follows:

1. The Commissioner has jurisdiction over the subject matter of and the parties to this Agreed Entry.

2. This Agreed Entry is executed voluntarily by the parties.
3. Respondent voluntarily and freely waives her right to a public hearing on the issues in this investigation.
4. Respondent admits that using her business cards to solicit bail business in the Allen County Jail was contrary to Indiana bail law.
5. Respondent agrees to payment of a civil penalty in the amount of two hundred dollars (\$200.00), payable by personal check or money order to the State of Indiana.
6. The Department agrees to accept Respondent's compliance with the terms of this agreement as full resolution of the issues.
7. Respondent voluntarily and freely waives her right to petition for judicial review of this agreement and the Commissioner's Final Order.
8. Respondent is aware that her failure to comply with any of the terms of this agreement will result in the matter being set for hearing and may result in the permanent revocation of her bail bond license and/or additional civil penalties.
9. Should this Agreed Entry not be accepted by the Commissioner, it is agreed that presentation to and consideration of this Agreed Entry by the Commissioner shall not unfairly or illegally prejudice the Commissioner from further participation in or resolution of these proceedings.
10. Respondent has carefully read this agreement and fully understands and accepts its terms.

6-6-14
Date Signed

Angel D Cooper
Angel D. Cooper, Respondent

6-19-14
Date Signed

Robert L. Hummel
Robert L. Hummel,
Attorney, Indiana Department of Insurance

STATE OF INDIANA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF Allen)

Before me, a Notary Public for Allen County, State of
Indiana, personally appeared Angel D. Cooper and being first duly sworn
by me upon her oath, says that the facts alleged in the foregoing instrument
are true.

Signed and sealed this 6th day of June, 2014.

Martish James
Signature

Martish S. James
Printed

My Commission expires: 6/2/2022

County of Residence: Allen

Indiana Department of Insurance
Consumer Protection Unit -CONFIDENTIAL

June 23, 2014

To: Doug Webber, Chief of Staff
CC: Debra Webb, Deputy General Counsel *EMP*
From: Robert Hummel, Bail Division Attorney

Re: Angel D. Cooper, Agreed Entry, 12786-BB14-0523-003

Purpose

The purpose of this memo is to request approval of the attached Agreed Entry.

Statement of the Issue

Soliciting bail bond business in the jail.

Facts

Angel Cooper is a licensed bail agent who resides in Fort Wayne. She has been licensed since June.2013. We received a complaint from another bail agent that Ms. Cooper had given her business card to a jail staff member and the card was displayed in the information window at the Allen County jail. Additionally, Ms. Cooper, while present in the jail, wore her business card around her neck on a lanyard.

Analysis

Soliciting bail business in or about a jail or courtroom is prohibited by IC 27-10-4-2(a)(6) and 760 IAC 1-6.2-2. Also see Bulletin 192. This is Ms. Cooper's first offense. She has been cooperative and realizes that she cannot display her business card in the jail or courthouse. She has agreed to pay a fine of \$200. Although the Agreed Entry does not set a date to pay the fine, she had agreed to pay it within 30 days and that requirement is included in the Final Order.

Recommendation

I recommend approval of the Agreed Entry.


Robert Hummel