

STATE OF INDIANA)
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COUNTY OF MARION)

BEFORE THE INDIANA
COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

CAUSE NO.: 19335-AD20-1013-138 .

IN THE MATTER OF:)
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Stephen Honowitz)
1202 Lilac Court,)
Upper Gwynedd, PA 19446-7608)
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Applicant.)
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Type of Agency Action: Enforcement)
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License Application #: 772500)

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STATE OF INDIANA
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PRELIMINARY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
AND NOTICE OF LICENSE DENIAL

The Indiana Department of Insurance (“Department”), pursuant to the Indiana Administrative Orders and Procedures Act, Indiana Code § 4-21.5-1 *et seq.* and Indiana Code § 27-1-15.6-12, hereby gives notice to Stephen Honowitz (“Applicant”) of the following Administrative Order:

1. Applicant submitted an application for nonresident producer licensure with the Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Insurance (“Commissioner”) on March 30, 2020.
2. Before approving an application, the Commissioner must find that the applicant has met specific requirements under Indiana Code § 27-1-15.6-8 and Indiana Code § 27-1-15.6-12.
3. Indiana Code § 27-1-15.6-12(b)(1) states, in part, that the Commissioner may refuse to issue an insurance producer license for providing incorrect, misleading, incomplete, or materially untrue information on a license application.

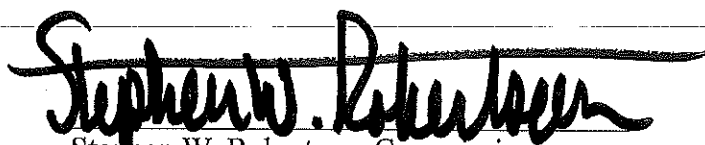
4. Indiana Code § 27-1-15.6-12(b)(6) states, in part, that the Commissioner may refuse to issue an insurance producer license for having been convicted of a felony.
5. Indiana Code § 27-1-15.6-12(b)(9) states, in part, that the Commissioner may refuse to issue an insurance producer license for having an insurance producer license, or its equivalent, denied, suspended, or revoked in any other state, province, district, or territory.
6. Following a review of public records and the materials submitted by the Applicant, the Commissioner, being fully advised, now hereby notifies Applicant that he has not fully met the requirements of licensure, as stated by Indiana Codes §§ 27-1-15.6-12(b)(1) and 27-1-15.6-12(b)(9) due to the nature of one of Applicant's administrative actions, which involved a license denial, and for Applicant's failure to disclose the following administrative actions to the Department on his application for licensure:
 - a. On July 21, 2006, the State of Florida denied Applicant's request for producer licensure due to Applicant's failure to disclose his criminal history; and
 - b. On May 12, 2009, the State of Pennsylvania placed Applicant's license on supervision due to his criminal history.
7. Following a review of public records and the materials submitted by the Applicant, the Commissioner, being fully advised, now hereby notifies Applicant that he has not fully met the requirements of licensure, as stated by Indiana Code § 27-1-15.6-12(b)(6) due to Applicant's criminal history, which includes two (2) felony convictions. On June 11, 1975, Applicant was convicted in the United States District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania, for one count of Distribution of Narcotic and Nonnarcotic Drug Controlled Substances, and for one count of Conspiracy to Distribute Schedule II and III Controlled Substances.

8. Indiana Code § 27-1-15.6-12(d) provides that the Applicant may, not more than sixty-three (63) days after notice of denial of the applicant's application is mailed, make written demand to the Commissioner for a hearing before the Commissioner to determine the reasonableness of the Commissioner's action.
9. This is considered an agency action. This action has been initiated by the aforementioned authority. If you choose to appeal this agency action, the State of Indiana Office of Administrative Law Proceedings ("OALP") will assign an administrative law judge to preside over this matter, and subsequently you will be contacted by the OALP with more information to begin the administrative process.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Applicant's request for licensure is hereby DENIED pursuant to Indiana Codes §§ 27-1-15.6-12(b)(1), 27-1-15.6-12(b)(6), and 27-1-15.6-12(b)(9) due to Applicant's criminal history, which includes two (2) felony convictions, and due to Applicant's failure to disclose two (2) administrative actions on his application for licensure, one of which included a license denial. Applicant may reapply for licensure not less than one (1) year from the date of this order.

1-11-2021

Date Signed



Stephen W. Robertson, Commissioner
Indiana Department of Insurance

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