

STATE OF INDIANA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF MARION)

BEFORE THE INDIANA
COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

CAUSE NO.: 22761-BB23-0920-002

IN THE MATTER OF:)
)
Anthony Wayne Stout)
1802 N. Tibbs Avenue)
Indianapolis, IN 46222)
Respondent.)
Type of Agency Action: Enforcement)
License Number: 3571757)

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MOTION FOR RENEWED EMERGENCY SUSPENSION

The Enforcement Division of the Indiana Department of Insurance (“Enforcement Division”), pursuant to Indiana Code § 4-21.5-4, files its petition for a renewed emergency suspension against bail agent Anthony Wayne Stout (“Respondent”), and states:

1. Respondent is a licensed bail agent holding license number 3571757 since August 5, 2020.
2. Respondent’s license expires on August 31, 2024.
3. On September 19, 2023 the Enforcement Division received correspondence providing The North River Insurance Company and America Bonding Company, LLC terminated their appointment with Respondent due to Respondent’s arrest for Human Trafficking.
4. On September 19, 2023 , Respondent was charged with six (6) counts Promotion of Human Sexual Trafficking, each a Level 4 Felony, one (1) count Promotion of Human Trafficking, a Level 4 Felony, two (2) counts Promotion of Human Sexual Trafficking (Attempt to Commit), each a Level 4 Felony, four (4) counts Intimidation: Threat is to commit a forcible felony, each a Level 6 Felony, three (3) counts Failure of Bail Agent to Collect Full Premium, each a Level 6 Felony, and

one (1) count Obstruction of Justice, a Level 6 Felony in Marion Superior Court 29, in Indianapolis, Indiana under cause number 49D29-2309-F4-026597. The criminal charges stem from allegations of Respondent exchanging and/or requesting sexual favors in exchange for bonds.

5. The Department has serious consumer protection concerns regarding Respondent's competence, trustworthiness, fitness to carry on the bail bond business, detriment to the public interest, and good faith.

6. Indiana Code § 27-10-3-8(a)(5) authorizes the Commissioner to suspend a bail agent's license for using fraudulent or dishonest practices in the conduct of business under any license issued to the licensee by the commissioner.

7. Indiana Code § 27-10-3-8(a)(7) authorizes the Commissioner to suspend a bail agent's license when, in the judgment of the commissioner, the licensee has, in the conduct of affairs under the license, demonstrated (A) incompetency or untrustworthiness; (B) conduct or practices rendering the licensee unfit to carry on the bail bond business or making the licensee's continuance in such business detrimental to the public interest; (C) that the licensee is no longer in good faith carrying on the bail bond business; or (D) that the licensee is guilty of rebating, or offering to rebate, or unlawfully dividing, or offering to divide, the licensee's commissions in the case of limited surety agents.

8. An emergency exists in that the nature of Respondent's alleged criminal behavior in the state of Indiana jeopardizes the wellbeing of Indiana residents.

9. Under Indiana Code § 4-21.5-4-2(a)(1), the Commissioner may, in an emergency, issue orders without notice or an evidentiary proceeding. However, Indiana Code § 4-21.5-4-4 provides that upon issuance of an emergency order, the Respondent may request a hearing as quickly as practicable.

10. The Enforcement Division previously filed a Motion for Emergency Suspension against Respondent on or about September 20, 2023. The Commissioner granted the Enforcement Division's motion, and issued her Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Emergency Order on September 20, 2023, which expires on December 19, 2023. The Enforcement Division believes it is necessary to renew the emergency suspension against Respondent.

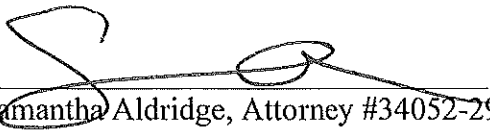
11. Indiana Code § 4-21.5-4-5(b) provides that during the pendency of any related proceedings under Indiana Code § 4-21.5-3, the agency responsible for the proceeding may renew the order for successive ninety (90) day periods.

12. Under Indiana Code § 4-21.5-4-2(a)(1), the Commissioner may, in an emergency, issue orders without notice or an evidentiary proceeding. However, Indiana Code § 4-21.5-4-4 provides that upon issuance of an emergency order, the Respondent may request a hearing, which will be set as quickly as practicable.

13. It is in the best interest of the public that Respondent's emergency suspension continues until this matter can be resolved.

14. Respondent shall be required to cease practice as a bail agent until the Department can be sure that Respondent can practice competently, legally, and in an ethically responsible manner.

WHEREFORE, the Enforcement Division requests that that the Emergency Order against Respondent be lengthened for an additional ninety (90) days, or until a Final Order is issued in this matter, whichever is shorter, and for all other necessary and proper relief.

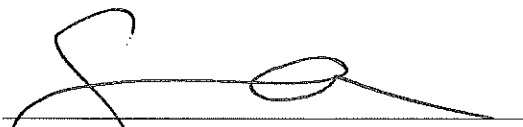


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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of the foregoing has been served upon the Respondent by United States First Class mail, postage prepaid, the same day as filing.

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ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO RENEW EMERGENCY SUSPENSION

Indiana Department of Insurance Commissioner Amy L. Beard, now being so advised, hereby grants Department’s Motion to Renew Emergency Suspension against Respondent for an additional ninety (90) days, pursuant to Indiana Code § 4-21.5-4-5(b), or until a Final Order is issued in this matter, whichever time period is shorter.

12.12.2023
Dated



Amy L. Beard, Commissioner
Indiana Department of Insurance

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