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**NICHOLAS JOHN TRAVASSOS** 

Docket No. 07A-106-INS

ORDER SUMMARILY SUSPENDING BAIL BOND AGENT LICENSE AND NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

Respondent.

The Arizona Department of Insurance (the "Department") alleges that **Nicholas John Travassos** has violated provisions of Arizona Revised Statutes ("A.R.S."), Title 20. In light of the serious nature of these allegations, the Director of Insurance for the State of Arizona ("Director") finds that the public health, safety and welfare imperatively require emergency action, within the meaning of A.R.S. §41-1092.11(B).

## **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- Nicholas John Travassos ("Respondent") is licensed as a bail bond agent,
   Arizona License Number 203596 which expires on March 31, 2009.
- 2. Respondent's addresses of record with the Department are: c/o All Cochise County Bail Bonds, LLC, 110 W. Maley St., Willcox, Arizona 85643 (business); P.O. Box 284, Willcox, Arizona 85644; and 520 N. Cochise Ave., Willcox, Arizona 85643 (residence).
- 3. On January 19, 2007, the insurer holding Respondent's surety bond notified the Department that Respondent's bail agent bond was to be cancelled on February 19, 2007.

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- 4. On March 8, 2007, the Department sent Respondent a letter, return receipt requested, at his business address of record, notifying Respondent that he had failed to maintain a surety bond as required by law.
- 5. As of March 23, 2007, someone at Respondent's business address signed for the Department's March 8, 2007 letter.
- 6. As of January 19, 2007, Respondent has not maintained a bond in favor of this State executed by a surety insurer authorized to do business in this State.
  - 7. The public health, safety and welfare imperatively require emergency action.

## **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. The Director has jurisdiction.
- 2. Respondent's conduct constitutes a violation of the requirement that each bail bond agent maintain in force while license a bond in favor of this State executed by a surety insurer authorized to do business in this State, within the meaning of A.R.S. § 20-340.02.
- 3. Grounds exist to order a summary suspension within the meaning of A.R.S. § 41-1092.11(B).

## <u>ORDER</u>

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. Respondent's license is summarily suspended effective immediately.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE this 6th day of June, 2007.

CHISTINA URIAS
Director of Insurance

## NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

Pursuant to Title 20 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, Respondent is hereby notified that Respondent may request a hearing pursuant to A.R.S. § 20-161 to contest the summary suspension. Such request must be in writing and received at the following address within thirty (30) days from the date hereof:

> Arizona Department of Insurance 2910 North 44th Street, Suite 210 Phoenix, Arizona 85018-7269

Upon receipt of a timely written request for hearing, the Director will issue an order setting the time and place of the hearing.

COPY of the foregoing mailed, return receipt requested. this 7th day of June, 2007, to:

Nicholas J. Travassos c/o All Cochise County Bail Bonds, LLC 110 W. Maley St.

Willcox, Arizona 85643 Respondent 14

Nicholas J. Travassos 15 P.O. Box 284 Willcox, Arizona 85644 Respondent

> Nicholas J. Travassos 520 N. Cochise Ave. Willcox, Arizona 85643 Respondent

COPY of the foregoing mailed this 7th day of June, 2007, to:

Mary Butterfield, Assistant Director Mary E. Kosinski, Exec. Asst. - Regulatory Affairs Steve Fromholtz, Licensing Director Catherine M. O'Neil, Assistant Director Arnie Sniegowski, Administrative Investigations Arizona Department of Insurance

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