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## DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

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In the Matter of:

SPARKS, LESLIE PIERRE,

(Arizona License Number 898005)

(National Producer Number 8289868)

Respondent.

No. 15A-095-INS

ORDER SUMMARILY SUSPENDING BAIL BOND AGENT LINE OF **AUTHORITY AND NOTICE OF** OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

The Arizona Department of Insurance (the "Department") alleges that Leslie Pierre Sparks 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

- 1. Leslie Pierre Sparks ("Respondent") is licensed as a resident accident/health, life, variable life/variable annuities, property and casualty insurance producer and bail bond agent, Arizona license number 898005, which expires on September 30, 2018.
- Respondent's addresses of record are: 15336 W. Turney Ave., Goodyear, Arizona 85395 (business and mailing).
- 3. On February 16, 2015, the insurer holding Respondent's surety bond notified the Department that Respondent's bail agent bond was to be cancelled, effective April 17, 2015.
- 4. On February 25, 2015, the Department notified Respondent that the surety holding Respondent's bond was cancelling the bond effective April 17, 2015.
  - 5. To date, Respondent has failed to replace the cancelled surety bond.

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- 6. Therefore, as of April 17, 2015, 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.
- Respondent's conduct constitutes a violation of the requirement that each bail 2. 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.
- Grounds exist to order a summary suspension within the meaning of A.R.S. § 3. 41-1092.11(B).

# **ORDER**

#### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Respondent's bail bond agent line of authority under Arizona license number 898005 is summarily suspended effective immediately.
- Respondent's accident/health, life, variable life/variable annuities, property and 2. casualty insurance producer lines of authority under Arizona license number 898005 are not suspended.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE this 4th day of August, 2015.

Lermaine J. Marks

Director of Insurance

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#### 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 this 5th day of August , 2015, to:

Leslie Pierre Sparks 15336 W. Turney Ave. Goodyear, Arizona 85395 Respondent

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