No. 2023-8083

Official Order of the Texas Commissioner of Insurance

Date: 7/18/2023

Subject Considered:

<u>Jeniecia Bethea</u>

San Antonio, Texas 78251

Default Order SOAH Docket No. 454-23-15943.C TDI Enforcement File No. 31375

General remarks and official action taken:

The subject of this default order is whether a Limited Lines license should be issued to Jeniecia Bethea (Respondent). Respondent did not appear at the hearing on the merits. This order denies Respondent's license application.

The following findings of fact and conclusions of law are adopted:

Findings of Fact

Failure to Appear at Hearing on the Merits

- 1. On April 3, 2023, the Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) filed a Notice of Hearing, attached as Exhibit A, and an Original Petition, attached as Exhibit B, with the State Office of Administrative Hearings.
- 2. On June 12, 2023, TDI filed an Amended Petition, attached as Exhibit C.
- 3. TDI's factual allegations set out in the attached Notice of Hearing, Original Petition, and Amended Petition are incorporated in this order as findings of fact.

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- 4. TDI sent the Notice of Hearing, the Original Petition, and the Amended Petition, to Respondent's last known address provided in writing to TDI, Antonio, Texas 78251. The Notice of Hearing, Original Petition, and Amended Petition were also sent by electronic mail.
- 5. After receiving proper notice of the date, time, and location of the hearing on the merits, Respondent failed to appear for the hearing on June 29, 2023, as shown in the record in SOAH Docket No. 454-23-15943.C.

Conclusions of Law

- 1. The commissioner has jurisdiction under Texas law, including TEX. INS. CODE §§ 82.051-82.055, 4001.002, 4001.102, 4001.105, 4005.101-4005.105, and 4051.101; TEX. OCC. CODE §§ 53.021-53.023; 28 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 1.502; and TEX. GOV'T CODE §§ 2001.051-2001.178.
- 2. The commissioner has authority to dispose of this case informally under TEX. GOV'T CODE § 2001.056; TEX. INS. CODE § 82.055; and 28 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§ 1.47, 1.88; and 1.89.
- 3. TDI provided proper notice of the hearing under TEX. GOV'T CODE §§ 2001.051, 2001.052, and 2001.054; and 28 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§ 1.28, 1.88, 1.89, and 19.906.
- 4. Based on Respondent's failure to appear in person or by legal representative at the hearing, TDI is entitled to disposition by default under 28 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§ 1.88 and 1.89.
- 5. TDI's factual and legal allegations set out in the attached Notice of Hearing and Original Petition are incorporated in this order and deemed admitted as true under 28 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 1.89.

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Order

It is ordered that Jeniecia Bethea's application is denied. A copy of this order will be provided to law enforcement or other appropriate administrative agencies for further investigation as may be warranted.

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Cassie Brown Commissioner of Insurance

Prepared and reviewed by:

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Jeannie Ricketts, Staff Attorney Enforcement

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Affidavit

STATE OF TEXAS § § COUNTY OF TRAVIS §

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Roxanne Rodriguez, who, being by me duly sworn, deposed as follows:

"My name is Roxanne Rodriguez Name and I am employed by the Texas Department of Insurance. I am of sound mind, capable of making this affidavit, and have personal knowledge of these facts which are true and correct.

I have reviewed TDI's records concerning Jeniecia Bethea. I have confirmed that:

- a. The last mailing address provided to TDI in writing by Jeniecia Bethea is , San Antonio, Texas 78251.
- b. The file maintained by Enforcement contains a Notice of Hearing and Original Petition dated April 3, 2023, which were filed with the State Office of Administrative Hearings.
- c. On April 3, 2023, the Notice of Hearing and Original Petition, and on June 12, 2023, the Amended Petition, addressed to Jeniecia Bethea, were mailed by first-class and certified, return receipt requested, to her last known address and email address.

Copies of the first-class mail logs and certified mail logs maintained by Enforcement are attached as Exhibits D and E, and Exhibits F and G, respectively."

DocuSigned by: Rosanne Rodriguez . -0F79A22000484A7... Affiant

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SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me by means of an interactive two-way audio and video communication on $\frac{6/30/2023}{2023}$. This notarial act was an online notarization.

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Notary Public State of Texas

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TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,	
Petitioner	
v.	
JENIECIA BETHEA,	

Respondent

BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE

OF

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

NOTICE OF HEARING

The Texas Department of Insurance seeks to deny your license application. This Notice of Hearing and the Original Petition, which is attached and incorporated for all purposes, states the allegations against you and the relief sought by the Department.

A public hearing will be held before an Administrative Law Judge on **Thursday**, **June 29**, **2023**, **at 9:00 a.m.** The hearing will take place via videoconference using a videoconference platform controlled by the State Office of Administrative Hearings, unless otherwise ordered to proceed in another manner by the Administrative Law Judge.

The hearing shall be conducted under TEX. GOV'T CODE, ch. 2001 and 1 TEX. ADMIN. CODE, ch. 155. Unless otherwise directed by the Administrative Law Judge, the hearing shall continue from day to day in the offices of the State Office of Administrative Hearings until concluded. You have the right to appear at this hearing and to be represented by an attorney.

Parties that are not represented by an attorney may obtain information regarding contested case hearings on the public website of the State Office of Administrative Hearings at www.soah.texas.gov, or in printed format upon request to SOAH.

YOU MUST FILE A WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE OF HEARING WITH THE STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS WITHIN 20 DAYS OF THE DATE THE NOTICE OF HEARING WAS MAILED. FAILURE TO FILE A WRITTEN RESPONSE BY THIS DEADLINE SHALL ENTITLE TDI TO SEEK DISPOSITION BY DEFAULT UNDER 1 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 155.501 AND 28 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§ 1.88 AND 1.89.

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IF YOU FAIL TO FILE A WRITTEN RESPONSE, THE SCHEDULED HEARING CAN BE CANCELED AND WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE TO YOU THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE CAN ISSUE AN ORDER IN WHICH THE ALLEGATIONS IN THE NOTICE OF HEARING ARE DEEMED ADMITTED AS TRUE AND THE RELIEF SOUGHT IN THE NOTICE OF HEARING, INCLUDING DENIAL OF YOUR LICENSE APPLICATION, IS GRANTED BY DEFAULT.

IF YOU FILE A WRITTEN RESPONSE BUT THEN FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DAY AND TIME SET FOR HEARING, WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE TO YOU, THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE CAN ISSUE AN ORDER IN WHICH THE ALLEGATIONS IN THE NOTICE OF HEARING ARE DEEMED ADMITTED AS TRUE AND THE RELIEF SOUGHT IN THE NOTICE OF HEARING, INCLUDING DENIAL OF YOUR LICENSE APPLICATION, IS GRANTED BY DEFAULT.

In accord with 28 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 1.90(e) and 1 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§ 155.101 and 155.103, you should send copies of your written response to:

- (1) (by mail, fax, or electronically) Docketing Division
 State Office of Administrative Hearings 300 West 15th Street, Room 504
 P.O. Box 13025
 Austin, Texas 78711-3025
 (512) 322-2061 (Fax); www.soah.texas.gov
- (by mail, fax, or email)
 Chief Clerk
 Texas Department of Insurance
 P.O. Box 12030, MC GC-CCO
 Austin, Texas 78711-2030
 (512) 490-1064 (Fax)
 chiefclerk@tdi.texas.gov; and
- (3) (by mail, fax, or email) Jeannie Ricketts, Staff Attorney Texas Department of Insurance Enforcement, MC ENF

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> P.O. Box 12030 Austin, Texas 78711-2030 (512) 490-1020 (Fax) jeannie.ricketts@tdi.texas.gov

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The State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) offers you the ability to electronically receive orders and other documents issued by SOAH by email instead of by mail. If you want to receive SOAH-issued documents by email, follow the instructions on SOAH's website: www.soah.texas.gov.

A request to receive SOAH-issued documents by email does <u>not</u> change the procedures you must follow to file documents or exhibits with SOAH. Instructions on how to file documents and exhibits are on SOAH's website. SOAH's website also includes guidance for representing yourself.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at the address or telephone number shown below.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Jeannie Ricketts

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ATTORNEY FOR THE PETITIONER TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

Enclosure: Original Petition

cc: Leah Gillum, Deputy Commissioner, Fraud and Enforcement Division, MC ENF Whitney Fraser, Litigation Director, Enforcement, MC ENF Administrative Review, MC CO-AAL

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Jeannie Ricketts, certify that a true and correct copy of the *Notice of Hearing and the Original Petition* were sent by regular, first-class mail and by certified mail, return receipt requested, on this 3rd day of April 2023 to:

Jeniecia Bethea

San Antonio, TX 78251 Respondent Pro Se

Amtexinsurance.com

Via Email

Via CM/RRR No.:

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/s/ Jeannie Ricketts

Jeannie Ricketts

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OF

Respondent

ORIGINAL PETITION

The Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) seeks to deny Jeniecia Bethea's limited lines property and casualty license application. In support of this petition, TDI makes the following allegations upon information and belief:

Jurisdiction

The Commissioner of Insurance has jurisdiction over this matter under TEX. INS. CODE §§ 82.051-82.055, 4001.002, 4005.101, 4005.102, 4051.101; TEX. GOV'T CODE §§ 2001.051-2001.178; TEX. OCC. CODE §§ 53.021-53.023; and 28 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 1.502.

Factual Allegations

License Application:

- 1. On October 13, 2022, Jeniecia (aka "Gigi") Bethea (Bethea) (formerly Dorsey) applied for a limited lines license. She did not disclose her recent criminal history.
- 2. On October 24, 2022, TDI requested that Bethea provide certified copies of her court documents for all her offenses and other information. She did not provide a complete set of her court records.
- 3. On November 11, 2022, Bethea informed TDI that she did not disclose her criminal history because her employer handled her application.

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4. On December 27, 2022, TDI proposed to deny Bethea's application based on her criminal history. On January 17, 2023, Bethea requested a hearing.

Criminal History:

Case no. 20140C11410 – Assault Causes Bodily Injury to Family Member

- 5. On or about October 28, 2014, in case no. 2014C11410, in El Paso County Court at Law no. 1, the El Paso Police Department filed a complaint and information alleging Bethea assaulted MB causing bodily injury. Bethea waived her arraignment on February 11, 2015.
- 6. On November 4, 2016, the court dismissed the case after Bethea was convicted and incarcerated in case no. 3:15-CR-01700.

Case no. 3:15-cr-01700 – Conspiracy to Sex Traffic Persons

- 7. On September 30, 2015, in case no. 3:15-cr-01700,¹ the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas indicted Bethea and two other co-conspirators, MB and DW, on two felony counts: 1) sex trafficking of children by force, fraud, or coercion under 18 U.S.C. § 1591(a)(1), (a)(2), (b)(2) and (c); and 2) conspiracy to traffic persons under 18 U.S.C. §1594(c).
- 8. On May 24, 2016, Bethea pleaded guilty to count two.
- 9. On October 15, 2016, the court convicted Bethea and sentenced her to 40 months imprisonment followed by three years of probation. The court also ordered her to pay a \$100 special assessment and comply with other conditions of release.
- 10. On November 10, 2016, the court increased Bethea's probation to five years.
- 11. On August 19, 2019, Bethea began serving her probation.
- 12. On March 3, 2020, the court transferred jurisdiction of the case from El Paso to the Western District of Texas, San Antonio Division, assigning new case no. 5:20-cr-00149.

¹ The court sealed the indictment on September 30, 2015, because not all of the defendants named in the indictment had been apprehended. On October 22, 2015, the court unsealed the indictment.

Case no. 5:20-cr-00149 – Failure to Register as a Sex Offender

- 13. On April 14, 2020, Bethea's probation officer notified the court that she violated her supervision. The court allowed her to continue her supervision.
- 14. On July 22, 2021, in case no. 5:20-cr-00149, the court revoked Bethea's probation after she failed to: 1) report to her probation officer; 2) register as a sex offender; and 3) participate in mental health and sex offender treatment. The court sentenced her to five months imprisonment (consecutive to any other sentence) and two years of probation.
- 15. On February 16, 2022, Bethea's probation officers filed a Request for Modifying Conditions of Supervision, which stated that during her 19 months of supervised release, "...she did relatively nothing the court directed her to do." The modification added special conditions of probation, which included participating in substance abuse treatment and testing.

Case no. 2021-cr-8756 – Failure to Register as a Sex Offender

- 16. On September 23, 2021, in case no. 2021-cr-8756, in the 226th District Court of Bexar County, Texas, a grand jury indicted Bethea for felony failure to register with local law enforcement authorities within seven days because of a reportable conviction.
- 17. On January 31, 2022, the court dismissed the charge for further investigation and released Bethea to serve the remainder of her probation in case no. 5:20-cr-00149.
- 18. Bethea is now listed on the U.S. Department of Justice, Dru Sjodin National Sex Offender Registry Public Website and the Texas Public Sex Offender Website. She remains on supervision.

Legal Allegations

- 1. Based on Bethea's criminal history, she committed acts for which a license may be denied under TEX. INS. CODE, Chapter 4005, Subchapter C, because she:
 - a. intentionally made a material misstatement in her license application, as contemplated by TEX. INS. CODE § 4005.101(b)(2);

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AMENDED PETITION

The Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) is seeking to deny Jeniecia Bethea's license application. TDI previously filed an Original Petition and is now amending those allegations. In support of this amended petition, TDI makes the following allegations upon information and belief:

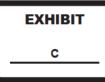
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ATTORNEY FOR THE PETITIONER TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE **2023-8083** Amended Petition Jeniecia Bethea Page 6 of 6

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Jeannie Ricketts, certify that a true and correct copy of the *Amended Original Petition* were sent by regular, first-class mail and by certified mail, return receipt requested, on this 12th day of June 2023 to:

Jeniecia Bethea

Via CM/RRR: 9214890194038318727950

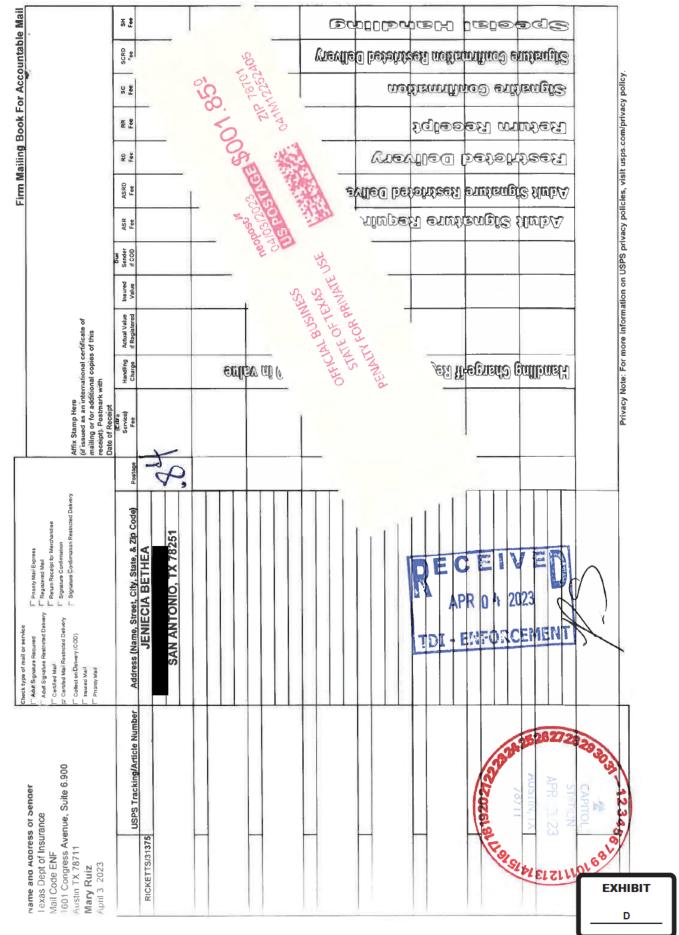
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