

No. **2023-8186**

**Official Order  
of the  
Texas Commissioner of Insurance**

**Date: 9/6/2023**

**Subject Considered:**

Texas Department of Insurance  
v.  
Errol Lawrence Sidney, Jr.

SOAH Docket No. 454-23-19080.C

**ORDER EXTENDING TIME FOR AGENCY TO ACT  
ON REQUEST TO REINSTATE HEARING DATE**

**General Remarks and Official Action Taken:**

The subject of this order is the extension of time for the Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) to act on Errol Lawrence Sidney, Jr.'s request to reinstate his hearing date. This order extends the time for TDI to act on Mr. Sidney's request.

**Background**

On July 6, 2023, Commissioner's Order No. 2023-8069 was issued, revoking any licenses held by Mr. Sidney. The order was issued following Mr. Sidney's failure to respond to a notice of hearing.

Mr. Sidney submitted a request to reinstate his hearing date on July 24, 2023. On July 31, 2023, TDI Enforcement staff submitted a reply to Mr. Sidney's request.

**Discussion**

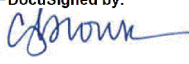
Under Government Code § 2001.146, a party may file a motion for rehearing prior to the 25th day after the date the order that is the subject of the motion is signed. A state agency must act on a motion for rehearing no later than the 55th day after the order that is the subject of the motion was signed, or the motion will be overruled by operation of law. However, under Government Code § 2001.146(e), a state agency may,

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on its own initiative, extend the time for taking agency action under Government Code § 2001.146 by written order. The agency must extend the time to take action not later than the 10th day after the date the period for taking agency action expires, and an extension may not extend the period for agency action beyond the 100th day after the date the decision or order that is the subject of the motion is signed. In the event of an extension, a motion for rehearing is overruled by operation of law on the date fixed by the order or, in the absence of a fixed date, the 100th day after the date the decision or order that is the subject of the motion is signed.

**Order**

It is ordered that the time for TDI to act on Errol Lawrence Sidney, Jr.'s request to reinstate his hearing date is extended to September 29, 2023.

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