Official Order of the Texas Commissioner of Insurance

Date: 10/26/2023

Subject Considered:

Victor Alexander Ramirez

TX 75006-5224

Default Order SOAH Docket No. 454-24-01362.C TDI Enforcement File No. 30828

General remarks and official action taken:

This is a default order taken against Victor Alexander Ramirez (Respondent) because he committed a felony offense. Respondent did not respond to a Notice of Hearing filed by the Texas Department of Insurance (TDI). This order revokes Respondent's license.

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

Findings of Fact

Failure to Respond to Notice of Hearing

- On September 22, 2023, 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. TDI's factual allegations set out in the attached Notice of Hearing and Original Petition are incorporated in this order as findings of fact.
- 3. TDI sent the Notice of Hearing and Original Petition to Respondent's last known address provided in writing to the department, Carrollton,

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TX 75006-5224. The Notice of Hearing and Original Petition were also sent by electronic mail.

4. Respondent failed to file a written response to the Notice of Hearing within 20 days of the date the Notice of Hearing and Original Petition were mailed.

Conclusions of Law

- 5. 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 4051.051; Tex. Occ. Code §§ 53.021-53.023; Tex. Gov't Code §§ 2001.051-2001.178; and 28 Tex. Admin. Code § 1.502.
- 6. 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.
- 7. 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.
- 8. Based on Respondent's failure to file a written response to the Notice of Hearing, TDI is entitled to disposition by default under 28 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §§ 1.88 and 1.89.
- 9. 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 any licenses held by Victor Alexander Ramirez are revoked. A copy of this order will be provided to law enforcement or other appropriate administrative agencies for further investigation as may be warranted.

Docusigned by:

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Cassie Brown

Commissioner of Insurance

Prepared and reviewed by:

/s/Jeannie Ricketts

Jeannie Ricketts, Staff Attorney

Enforcement

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Affidavit

STATE OF TEXAS §

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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 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 Victor Alexander Ramirez. I have confirmed that:

- a. The last mailing address provided to TDI in writing by Victor Alexander Ramirez is , Carrollton, TX 75006-5224.
- b. The file maintained by Enforcement contains a Notice of Hearing and Original Petition dated September 22, 2023, which were filed with the State Office of Administrative Hearings.
- c. On September 22, 2023, the Notice of Hearing and Original Petition addressed to Victor Alexander Ramirez were mailed certified, return receipt requested, to his last known address.

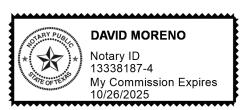
A copy of the certified mail log maintained by Enforcement is attached as Exhibit C.

DocuSigned by:	
Roxanne Rodriguez	
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Affiant	

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SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me by means of an interactive two-way audio and video communication on $\frac{10/19/2023}{}$. This notarial act was an online notarization.

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David Morano
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Notary Public State of Texas

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TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,	BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
Petitioner	
v.	OF
VICTOR ALEXANDER RAMIREZ,	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
Respondent	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

NOTICE OF HEARING

The Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) seeks to take disciplinary action against you. 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 TDI.

A public hearing will be held before an Administrative Law Judge on **Tuesday, December 12, 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 REVOCATION OF YOUR LICENSE, ISSUANCE OF A CEASE AND DESIST ORDER, IMPOSITION OF ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES, AND/OR PAYMENT OF RESTITUTION, 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 REVOCATION OF YOUR LICENSE, ISSUANCE OF A CEASE AND DESIST ORDER, IMPOSITION OF ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES, AND/OR PAYMENT OF RESTITUTION 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
- (2) (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

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

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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 22nd day of September, 2023 to:

<u>Victor Alexander Ramire</u> z	Via CM/RRR No.:
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Carrollton, TX 75006-5224	
Respondent Pro Se	
	Via Email
	/s/Jeannie Ricketts
	Jeannie Ricketts

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ORIGINAL PETITION

The Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) seeks to take disciplinary action against Victor Alexander Ramirez (Ramirez). 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, 84.021-84.022, 4001.002, 4005.101, 4005.102, and 4051.051; and 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 Information:

- 1. On or about June 14, 2017, Ramirez applied for a general lines property and casualty license. He did not disclose a criminal history.
- 2. On June 28, 2017, TDI issued Ramirez license (no. 2200346), effective until August 31, 2023.

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Criminal History:

- 3. On or about June 15, 2020, a Dallas County grand jury indicted Ramirez for Third Degree Felony Possession with Intent to Promote Child Pornography, which he committed on or about October 27, 2018.
- 4. On or about February 9, 2022, in case no. F1912333J, in Criminal District Court No. 3 Dallas County, Texas, Ramirez pleaded guilty to the reduced charge of State Jail Felony Attempted Possession of Child Pornography under Tex. Pen. Code § 43.26.
- 5. On the same day, the court sentenced Ramirez to five years deferred adjudication (probation) and ordered him to pay \$270 in court costs. It also ordered him to complete sex offender treatment, sex offender registration (within 7 days), 240 hours of community service, and safe neighborhood training.
- 6. Ramirez's probation fees include: \$60 per month for supervision (plus \$2 per transaction), \$5 per month to the Sex Offender Fund, \$50 to Dallas Area Crime Stoppers, and \$55 to an approved Community Service Project. His other conditions of probation include restrictions and monitoring of his internet use and avoiding premises and programs of children younger than 17.
- 7. On or about February 17, 2022, TDI requested Ramirez provide copies of his court records. He complied with TDI's request.
- 8. Ramirez is registered as a sex offender on the state and federal registries. His conditions of supervision require him to remain on the registry for the duration of his probation and for 10 years hence, until February 9, 2038.

Legal Allegations

- 1. Ramirez may be considered to have been convicted of a felony offense that directly relates to the duties and responsibilities of the licensed occupation under Tex. Occ. CODE § 53.021(a)(1) and 28 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 1.502(d).
- 2. Ramirez may be considered to have been convicted of a felony offense listed offense in Tex. Code of Crim. Proc. Art. 42A.054, as contemplated under Tex. Occ. Code § 53.021(a)(2).

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- 3. Under Tex. Occ. Code § 53.021(d), TDI may consider Ramirez to have been convicted of his offense because he has not completed his period of supervision.
- 4. Department guidelines, 28 Tex. Admin. Code § 1.502(c)-(e), emphasize that TDI:
 - a. considers it very important that applicants be honest, trustworthy, and reliable;
 - b. may refuse to issue an original license if the department determines that the applicant has committed a felony or has engaged in fraudulent or dishonest activity that directly relates to the duties and responsibilities of the licensed occupation; and
 - c. considers the offense of Possession of Child Pornography, to be of such a serious nature that it is of prime importance when determining fitness for licensure. 28 Tex. Admin. Code § 1.502(e)(4)(K).
- 5. The factors listed in 28 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 1.502(h) do not outweigh the serious nature of Ramirez's criminal offenses, as 28 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 1.502(f) contemplates.

Relief Sought

If one or more of the above allegations is found to be true, TDI asks the Administrative Law Judge to enter a Proposal for Decision recommending that the commissioner of insurance issue an order:

- 1. revoking Ramirez's license.
- 2. directing Ramirez to pay an administrative penalty under Tex. INS. CODE §§ 84.021-84.022; and
- 3. imposing any other just and appropriate relief to which the department may be entitled to by law, including any combination of the above actions.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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