

## DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION

P.O. Box 690, Jefferson City, Mo. 65102-0690

N THE MATTER OF:	)	
RYAN DALE TRIMBLE,	)	Case No. 08A000312
Applicant	. )	
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Serve at:	)	
3312 S Sioux Ct.	)	
Independence, MO 64057	)	ē.

## **CONSENT ORDER**

## **GRANTING LICENSE UNDER SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES**

Douglas M. Ommen is the duly appointed Director of the Missouri Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions, and Professional Registration. The Director has authority for the supervision, regulation, discipline and licensing of insurance producers.

The Consumer Affairs Division of the Department has the duty to ensure that applicants who are granted the privilege of a license demonstrate the knowledge, skills, honesty and integrity which Missouri's consumers expect from licensed insurance producers. The licensing

process is controlled, in part, by a Missouri statute entitled <u>Suspension, revocation, refusal of license--grounds--procedure</u>. Section 375.141 RSMo (Cum. Supp. 2007.) The principal purpose of § 375.141 is not to punish licensees or applicants, but to protect the public. *Ballew v. Ainsworth*, 670 S.W.2d 94, 100 (Mo.App. E.D. 1984).

The Director may refuse to issue an insurance producer license based upon grounds which demonstrate a lack of competence or trustworthiness. 375.141.1(8) supra Similarly, the Director may refuse to issue a license for "[h]aving been convicted of a felony or crime involving moral turpitude." 375.141.1(6) (supra). The discretion to issue or refuse a license lies with the Director. 374.051.1 RSMo (Cum. Supp. 2007.) In applying this discretion, the Director will consider the history of the Applicant and all of the circumstances surrounding the Application.

In addition to the protections created by Missouri's insurance laws, the federal government recognized the concern of permitting convicted felons to conduct business within the insurance profession when it passed the Insurance Fraud Prevention Act of 1994, 18 U.S.C. § 1033(e)(2) which requires the director to specifically waive the presumption of disqualification for certain criminal convictions.

## THE RYAN TRIMBLE APPLICATION.

On April 9, 2008, Ryan Dale Trimble submitted a Uniform Application for an Individual Insurance Producer License. Applicant Trimble informed the Department that on July 30, 2007, he entered into a plea agreement which resulted in a suspended imposition of sentence and three years probation. Failure to satisfy the terms of that agreement could result in a permanent felony conviction. The record demonstrates that, to date, Trimble has satisfied the requirements of the court.

Based upon the information and evidence gathered during the investigation, the Consumer Affairs Division has recommended the Director approve Trimble's application and issue his license under the terms and conditions herein.

This Consent Order is in the public interest because it constitutes an appropriate disposition of the application for the Applicant and it ensures adequate protection of the public. The Consumer Affairs Division and Trimble hereby enter into and agree to abide by the mutually beneficial terms of this Consent Order.

The Director is authorized to issue this Consent Order pursuant to sections 374.046 (Cum Supp. 2007.) The Director, or his successor, is authorized to enforce this Consent Order and may initiate any lawful action to do so.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT: Ryan Dale Trimble's insurance producer's license is hereby approved, subject to the following mandatory conditions:

- 1. If Trimble violates his probation, Trimble shall notify the Consumer Affairs Division within five business days of the violation.
- 2. Trimble hereby authorizes any agent or employee of the Board of Probation and Parole to discuss his case and his personal information with a representative of the Consumer Affairs Division of the Department which issued this order.
- 3. If, after successful completion of his probation, the Board of Probation and Parole grants Trimble a full release, the Department will dissolve this Consent Order upon notification and remove each of its conditions from Trimble's license.

Trimble hereby acknowledges that if the Director were to refuse his license, he would have the right to file an appeal with the Administrative Hearing Commission.

Trimble is aware of that right, and is similarly aware of the length of time such an appeal process would require. In consideration of his options, and his desire to begin work, albeit under the conditions of this Consent Order, Trimble has made clear his preference to enter into this Consent Order, as signified by his signature.

By signing this Consent Order each signatory certifies that he or she is fully authorized to do so and that each signatory has read, understood, and agreed to the terms, conditions, and requirements of the Consent Order in their entirety.

Ryan Dale Trimble

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Mary Kempker, Director Division of Consumer Affairs <u>4/24/08</u> Date

Date

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SO ORDERED, SIGNED AND OFFICIAL SEAL AFFIXED

THIS <u>28<sup>th</sup></u> DAY OF <u>April</u>, 2008.

DOUGLAS M. OMMEN, Director

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