

BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER  
FOR THE STATE OF ARKANSAS

ARKANSAS INSURANCE DEPARTMENT, )  
PETITIONER )  
 )  
VS. )  
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LESLIE RICHARDSON; AND )  
THE LESLIE RICHARDSON AGENCY )  
RESPONDENTS )

A.I.D. NO. 2020- 28

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REINSTATEMENT ORDER

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On this day, the matter of Leslie Richardson and The Leslie Richardson Agency (“Respondents”) came before Alan McClain, Arkansas Insurance Commissioner (“Commissioner”). The Arkansas Insurance Department (“Department”) is represented by Gray Allen Turner, Associate Counsel, in this matter. From the facts and law before him, the Commissioner finds as follows:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent Leslie Richardson is a person currently licensed by the Department as resident insurance producer and currently holds Arkansas Resident Producer License No. 16984417. Respondent lives in Beebe, Arkansas.
2. The Leslie Richardson Agency, LLC. is owned by Leslie Richardson and is a business entity currently licensed by the Department as a resident insurance producer and currently holds Arkansas Business Entity Insurance Resident Producer License No. 3000596175.

3. On March 13, 2020, after being given notice and hearing, the Arkansas resident insurance producer licenses of Richardson and the agency were revoked. This order is memorialized as A.I.D. Order 2020-23

4. The Respondents filed a timely petition for judicial review and request for a temporary restraining order in the Pulaski County Circuit Court on March 31, 2020. The case number is Pulaski County Circuit Court case 60CV-20-2402.

5. On April 8, 2020, the Honorable Wendell Griffen, Pulaski County Circuit Court Judge, Division 5, issued an injunction and ordered: "The revocation of the licenses is hereby enjoined, restrained, and stayed until further orders of this Court." The Circuit Court's order is attached.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

From the Findings of Fact contained herein, the Commissioner concludes as follows:

1. The Commissioner has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 23-61-103.

2. The Respondents' insurance producer licenses shall be reinstated as if no suspension or revocation had occurred until further orders of the Circuit Court.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

In consideration of the Commissioner's Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, Leslie Richardson's Arkansas Resident Producer License, National Producer Number 16984417 is reinstated effective April 8, 2020. The Leslie Richardson

Agency's business entity insurance producer license 3000596175 is also reinstated effective April 8, 2020. This order temporarily rescinds the insurance producer license revocation issued in AID Case No. 2020-23 and the license suspension issued in AID Case No. 2019-76 until further order of the Circuit Court or a court of competent jurisdiction.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 2020.

  
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ALAN MCCLAIN  
INSURANCE COMMISSIONER  
STATE OF ARKANSAS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PULASKI COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
CIVIL DIVISION

LESLIE RICHARDSON, INDIVIDUALLY  
AND ON BEHALF OF THE LESLIE  
RICHARDSON AGENCY

PETITIONER

VS.

NO. 60-CV-20-2402

ARKANSAS INSURANCE DEPARTMENT;  
ALLEN KERR, COMMISSIONER,  
in his official capacity

RESPONDENTS

TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER

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Comes on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020, and based upon the Amended Petition requesting that a Temporary Restraining Order be entered in accordance with Rule 65 of the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure filed by the Petitioner, Leslie Richardson, individually and on behalf of her agency, the Court finds as follows:

1. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter and the parties herein.
2. Petitioner's Petition is well taken. A prima facie case has been made that Petitioner has been wronged by action of the Arkansas Insurance Department.
3. If a restraining order is not entered, Petitioner cannot earn for her livelihood. The Court finds that the Petitioner will suffer irreparable harm if a restraining order is not entered enjoining the Arkansas Insurance Department

from revoking or otherwise suspending the licenses of Petitioner and that of her agency, The Leslie Richardson Agency, until and unless there is a full hearing on the merits of the case.

4. The Department will not suffer any harm if this restraining order is entered and the matter set for a hearing on the Petitioner's request for preliminary injunction.

5. The Court hereby restrains and enjoins the Arkansas Insurance Department from doing any act that revokes or suspends the licenses of Petitioner, producer license, NPN 16984417 and that of her agency, the Leslie Richardson Agency, resident business entity producer license NPN 300596175. Any act by anyone on behalf of the Arkansas Insurance Department to revoke or suspend the licenses is prohibited. The revocation of the licenses is hereby enjoined, restrained and stayed until further Orders of this Court.

6. Petitioner shall abide by the laws and regulations of this State related to her insurance business and in the operation of her agency.

7. All parties, the parties' officers, agents, servants, employees, and attorneys and persons who are in active concert or participation with the parties and the parties' officers, agents, servants, employees, and attorneys are ordered to abide by the terms of this Order.

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8. This matter shall be set for hearing on

April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020 c 10:30 am.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

  
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JUDGE WENDELL L. GRIFFEN

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