

HARRIS COUNTY BAIL BOND BOARD

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AGENDA FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2022, 1:30 PM

A. READING OF PRIOR MINUTES

B. OLD BUSINESS

Old Business moved to the end of the agenda

C. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Election of the Harris County Bail Bond Board Chairman for the remainder of 2022.
- 2. Request by Judge Angela Rodriguez for discussion and potential action acknowledging former Chair Glenn Stickland and his years of service to the Harris County Bail Bond Board.
- 3. Request for Renewal of License

ALLEGHENY CASUALTY COMPANY VOIR DIRE INCOMPLETE

Agent: Thomas Stith II

Dba: North Main Bail Bond Company

108 Pecore Street Houston, Texas 77009 Original date: 5/13/2008

Expiration date: 5/23/2022

License No. 74494

Phone: 713-869-5625

3-year license

4. Request for Renewal of License

BANKERS INSURANCE COMPANY VOIR DIRE INCOMPLETE

Agent: Maria Sanchez License No. 74557

Dba: X-It Bail Bonds 7434 Brownwood Street Houston, Texas 77020

Original date: 5/13/2014 Phone: 713-222-8880

Expiration date: 5/23/2022 3-year license

5. Request for Renewal of License

FINANCIAL CASUALTY & SURETY, INC. VOIR DIRE INCOMPLETE

Agent: Rodney Vannerson License No. 74497

Dba: Aaron Bail Bonds 409 Fannin Street Houston, Texas 77002 Original date: 7/8/2008

Original date: 7/8/2008 Phone: 713-223-2663

Expiration date: 7/18/2022 3-year license

6. Request for Renewal of License

FINANCIAL CASUALTY & SURETY, INC. VOIR DIRE INCOMPLETE

Agent: Sheba Muharib License No. 74571

Dba: Aable Bonds 1620 Austin Street Houston, Texas 77002 Original date: 6/14/201

Original date: 6/14/2016 Phone: 713-955-2663

Expiration date: 6/30/2022 2-year license

7. Request for Renewal of License

FINANCIAL CASUALTY & SURETY, INC. VOIR DIRE INCOMPLETE

Agent: Todd Holmes License No. 74591

Dba: Clutch City Bail Bonds

4141 North Freeway, Suite 124 Houston, Texas 77022

Original date: 5/8/2018 Phone: 713-568-6060

Expiration date: 5/18/2022 2-year license

8. Request for Renewal of License

SUNYA CLAIBORNE

VOIR DIRE INCOMPLETE

License No. 74589

Dba: All About Bail Bonds #2 313 Rankin Road, Suite B Houston, Texas 77073 Original date: 5/8/2018

Phone: 281-784-2474

Expiration date: 5/18/2022 2-year license

9. Notice made by American Surety Company, agent: Vanessa Failla, dba: International Bonding Co. II, license no. 74616 to move the primary office to a new location:

1001 N. San Jacinto Street Houston, TX 77002

- 10. Request for the Harris County District Attorney's office to request a Texas Attorney General's Opinion regarding the authority of the Harris County Bail Bond Board to enact a local rule requiring that bonding companies collect a minimum percentage of bail before posting a surety bond.
- 11. Request that the Harris County Attorney seek an opinion from the Texas Attorney General's Office clarifying the Bail Bond Board's authority, if any, to regulate the terms of agreements entered into by bonding companies conducting business in Harris County.
- 12. Request for discussion and potential action regarding bail bond surety premiums and a requirement that bonding companies collect a minimum percentage of bail before posting a surety bond. Consider meeting in an executive session for legal advice regarding this issue.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Consider adopting a new Section 19 to the Harris County Bail Bond Board Rules as follows:
 - 19. Regulatory Requirements for Bail Bonding Businesses
 - A. No licensee or agent for a corporate surety shall violate the Texas Deceptive Trade Practices Act, Tex. Bus. & Com. Code Chapter 17, in conducting any bail bond business activity. A violation of the Texas Deceptive Trade Practices Act is a violation of the rules adopted by the Board.
 - B. An agreement between a licensee, or agent for a corporate surety and a guarantor, co-surety, or defendant related to time or installment payments of any bond premium, security, or cost,

however labeled, for making the bond must be in writing and be signed by both an authorized person for the licensee or agent for a corporate surety and any person responsible for making the time or installment payments. The agreement must be signed before the bond is made. If the defendant is to be a party to the agreement, such agreement must be signed by the defendant before the bond is made if the defendant is not already in custody or, if the defendant is already in custody, within two business days after the defendant is released from custody. The agreement must state the date and time at which each person signed the agreement. The agreement must state the total premium, security, or fee charged, the total outstanding amount owed that is to be paid over time or in installments, the amount of each future payment and to what it will be applied, the date by which payments must be made, and any charges, interest, or fees applicable to the time or installment agreement. A defendant who is not a party to a time or installment agreement must be given an opportunity of not less than five business days following actual notice from the licensee or agent for a corporate surety to make any untimely time or installment payment required of any guarantor or co-surety before a licensee or agent for a corporate surety may file an application or affidavit for surrender for the failure of a guarantor or co-surety to make a required payment. No licensee or agent for a corporate surety, or anyone acting on their behalf, may seek to surrender a bond for the failure to make required time or installment payments without having an agreement that complies with every requirement of this section. An application or affidavit for surrender of a bond must include, if it exists, a copy of any time or installment agreement required by this rule if the application or affidavit to surrender the bond is based in whole or in part on the failure of anyone to make a time or installment payment subsequent to the posting of the bail bond."