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The Professional Bail Bondsman

Arkansas Statute 16-84-101: Right of Defendant to Make Phone Calls:

- **Place free phone calls to a bondsman if the calls or local calls.**



3. Respondent Rucks accepted approximately twelve (12) calls from inmates on the free call line and assisted those inmates in making three-way calls.
4. The three-way calls were made in an effort to procure the required ten percent (10%) premium required to make bail.
5. All twelve (12) calls from inmates on the free call line consisted of calls not related to bail bond business.
6. Union County Criminal Justice Facility has in place Bail Rules and Regulations for Bonding Companies and Agents. The rules consist of following restrictions:
 8. Telephone calls originating from the UCSO will be solely for the purpose of conducting bail bond business. Any conversation not related to securing a bond for the inmate is strictly prohibited. No Agent or Bonding Company shall make or allow to be made "3rd party call" or "favor call" when the inmate is calling on a free number.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Respondent Andre Rucks violated Arkansas Rules of Bail Bond Business, Section 43 Compliance with Posted Rules of Jails by failing to comply with publicly posted rules of the Union County Criminal Justice Facility restricting solicitation by inmates, "3rd party calls," and "favor calls" as stated in Findings of Fact.
2. Respondent Bail Bond Financing, Inc. pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 17-19-210(c) violated Arkansas Rules of Bail Bond Business, Section 43 Compliance with Posted Rules of Jails by failing to comply with publicly posted rules of the Union County Criminal Justice Facility restricting solicitation by inmates, "3rd party calls," and "favor calls" as stated in Findings of Fact.

ORDER

Respondent Andre Rucks's license shall hereby be revoked and Respondent Bail Bond Financing, Inc. shall be assessed a \$5,000.00 penalty for the company's acquiescence in the matter with payment due on or before July 21, 2025.

Pursuant to Arkansas Administrative Procedures Act, Ark. Code Ann. § 25-15-212, Respondents may petition for judicial review of this decision by filing a petition in the Circuit Court in the county in which he resides or does business or in the Circuit Court of Pulaski County within thirty (30) days after service of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED this _____ day of _____ 2025.

ARKANSAS PROFESSIONAL BAIL BOND COMPANY
AND PROFESSIONAL BAIL BONDSMAN LICENSING
BOARD

Curt Clark, Chairman

17-19-105. Prohibitions.

No professional bail bondsman or professional bail bond company, nor court, nor law enforcement officer, nor any individual working on behalf of a professional bail bondsman or professional bail bond company, shall:

- (1) Require as a **condition** of his or her executing a bail bond that the principal agree to engage the services of a **specified attorney**;
- (2) **Solicit business or advertise for business** in or about any place where prisoners are confined or in or about any court;

Arkansas Professional Bail Bond Board, March 12, 2021:

Bail Bond Agents deposited money to a Inmate's commissary account in exchange for the inmate's help in soliciting bail bond clients. Jails keep records of monies added to the account and by who ! Bail Agent adding money to an Inmate's account is suspicious. Board levied a \$2,500 fine on each agent and a suspension of 15 days for each agent.

- (3) Suggest or advise the engagement of any bail bond company or professional bail bondsman to underwrite a bail bond;
- (4) **Enter a police station, jail, sheriff's office**, or other place where persons in custody of the law are detained, for the purpose of obtaining employment as a professional bail bondsman or professional bail bond company, without having been **previously called** by a person so detained or by some relative or other authorized person acting for or in behalf of the person so detained. Whenever such an entry occurs, the person in charge of the facility shall be given and promptly record the mission of the licensee and the name of the person calling the licensee and requesting him or her to come;
- (5) Pay a **fee or rebate** or give or promise **anything of value** to:
 - A jailer, policeman, peace officer, committing magistrate, or any other person who has power to arrest or to hold in custody; or
 - Any public official or public employee in order to secure a settlement, compromise, remission, or reduction of the amount of any bail bond or special treatment thereof;
 - Pay a fee or rebate or give anything of value to an attorney in bail bond matters, except in defense of any action on a bond;