ARKANSAS PROFESSIONAL BAIL BOND COMPANY AND PROFESSIONAL BAIL BONDSMAN LICENSING BOARD

In the Matter of Gulley's Bail Bond's Inc. and Lynn Sweet

Complaint #24-020

CONSENT AGREEMENT AND ORDER

A complaint charging Gulley's Bail Bond's Inc. and Lynn Sweet (hereinafter referred to

as "Respondents") with violations of Ark. Code Ann. §17-19-101 et seq., has been received by

the Arkansas Professional Bail Bond Company and Professional Bail Bondsman Licensing

Board ("Board"). The Board is represented by Deputy Attorney General Doralee Chandler.

Respondents are represented by Scott Richardson. In lieu of a formal hearing on these issues,

and in the interest of prompt and speedy settlement of the above-captioned matter, consistent

with the public interest, statutory requirements, and the responsibilities of the

Board/Commission, the undersigned parties enter into this Consent Agreement as a final

disposition of this matter.

Respondent and the Board agree to the following:

1. Respondents, having read the proposed Consent Order and having consulted with

counsel, enter this Consent Order on Respondents' own volition and without any

reliance upon any representations by the Board or any officer, employee, agent or

other representative thereof, other than expressly set forth herein.

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- 2. Respondents hereby waive any further procedural steps including, without limitation, Respondents' right to a hearing and all rights to seek judicial review or to otherwise challenge or contest the validity of this Consent Order.
- 3. Respondents understand and agree that approval and entry of this Consent Order shall not preclude additional proceedings by the Board against Respondent for acts or omissions not specifically addressed herein.
- 4. Respondents understand and acknowledge that this Consent Order and the Board's records concerning this matter are public records and available to the public pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, Ark. Code Ann. § 25-19-101, et seq.
- 6. This agreement shall not become a valid and enforceable order of this Board unless and until accepted and approved by the Board at an official meeting and executed by the Chairman of the Board or by his or her designee.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. At all times pertinent hereto, Respondent Gulley's Bail Bond, Inc. held a professional bail bond business license issued by the Board.
- At all times pertinent hereto, Respondent Corey Ross held a professional bail bond license identifying as an agent for Respondent Gulley's Bail Bond, Inc. and issued by the Board.
- 3. On or about May 20, 2024, the Board received a complaint from Mickey Layne owner of Mickey's Bail Bonds, Inc., assigned Case No. 24-022.

- 4. On or about March 6, 2024, Judge David Boling was presiding over Felony 8.1 Hearings, in the video courtroom in Jonesboro, Arkansas.
- 5. The family of Crystal Winders was present, and Judge Boling set a \$7,500.00 cash/surety bond.
- 6. After the bond was set Ms. Winders' family inquired in the open as to the procedure to get Ms. Winders out of jail and who they should use as a bonding agent.
- 7. The Court instructed the family that the Craighead County Jail maintains a list of bonding agents they could contact.
- 8. Ms. Winders' family was instructed they could leave the court room around 1:46 p.m. on March 6, 2024.
- 9. Agent Ross exited the video courtroom directly behind Ms. Winders' family.
- 10. Agent Cory Ross was the Attorney in Fact for Ms. Winders bond in the amount of \$7,500.00.
- 11. The bond form for Ms. Winders was completed on March 6, 2024, and she was released around 4:17 p.m. the same day.
- 12. Agent Ross did not have any communications with Ms. Winders' family prior to the bond hearing.
- 13. After the bond hearing, Agent Ross called for Ms. Winders' family to stop in the lobby where he introduces himself to the family.
- 14. Agent Ross solicited business from the Ms. Winders' family prior to exiting with the family at approximately 1:46 p.m.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Respondent Ross's actions violated Ark. Code Ann. § 17-19-105 by soliciting business in or about the Jonesboro court as stated in the Findings of Fact.
- 2. Respondent Gulley's Bail Bond's, Inc., pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 17-19-210(c), violated Ark. Code Ann. § 17-19-105 as set out in the Findings of Fact 2-14.

ORDER

THEREFORE, IT IS SO AGREED AND ORDERED THAT:

Respondent

Respondents agree, and the Board so orders, that Respondents will pay a penalty in the	
amount of one thousand five hundred (\$1,500.00) dollars to be paid by August 1, 2025.	
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Board shall retain jurisdiction of this matter for purposes	
of implementing and enforcing this Consen	t Order.
IT IS SO ORDERED thisda	ay of, 2025.
	Arkansas Professional Bail Bond Company and Professional Bail Bondsman Licensing Board
	Curt Clark, Chairman
AGREED TO BY:	
Gulley's Bail Bond's Inc. Respondent	
Corey Ross, Agent	_