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STATE OF ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

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In the Matter of:

RIDGLEY, RHONDA JAUAN

**CETTA, JOSEPH PAUL** 

(National Producer No. 15972640)

(National Producer No. 16213001)

(National Producer No. 16106000)

ALL OUT NOW BAIL BONDS LLC

Respondents.

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No. 20A- 069 -INS

ORDER TO CEASE AND DESIST

The Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions ("Department") has received evidence that Rhonda Jauan Ridgley ("Ridgley"), Joseph Paul Cetta ("Cetta"), and All Out Now Bail Bonds LLC ("All Out Now") (collectively "Respondents) unlawfully sold, solicited, and negotiated bail bond contracts without proper licensure in the State of Arizona. Accordingly, the Director of the Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Intuitions (the "Director") makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and enters the following Order pursuant to A.R.S. § 20-292.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Ridgley was previously licensed as an Arizona bail bond agent. Her license, national producer number 15972640, expired on July 31, 2018, and became inactive on July 31, 2019.

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West Mohave Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85014. Ridgley's business e-mail address of record with the Department is <a href="mailto:rhondaridgley@yahoo.com">rhondaridgley@yahoo.com</a>.

Ridgley's business and mailing address of record with the Department is: 301

- 3. Cetta was previously licensed as an Arizona bail bond agent. His license, national producer number 16213001, expired on November 30, 2018, and became inactive on December 1, 2019.
- 4. Cetta's business and mailing address of record with the Department is: 301 West Mohave Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85014. Cetta does not have a business e-mail address on record with the Department.
- 5. All Out Now was previously licensed as an Arizona business entity bail bond agent. All Out Now's license, number 16106000, expired on December 31, 2018 and became inactive on October 29, 2020.
- 6. All Out Now's address of record with the Department is: 301 West Mohave Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85003. All Out Now does not have a business e-mail address on record with the Department.
- 7. All Out Now is currently registered as an active business entity with the Arizona Corporation Commission<sup>1</sup> ("ACC"). Ridgley is listed as the Manager and Statutory Agent and Cetta is listed as a Member of All Out Now.
- 8. Ridgley's address of record with the ACC is: 4532 West Kimberly Way, Glendale, Arizona 85308.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://ecorp.azcc.gov/EntitySearch/Index (Last visited November 3, 2020)

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9. Cetta's address of record with the ACC is: 301 West Mohave Street, Phoenix, Arizona, 85003.

### **Unlicensed Entity/False and Deceptive Advertising**

- 10. On April 26, 2018, The Department suspended All Out Now's license and on October 29, 2020 the license became inactive.
- 11. In conducting an investigation on a consumer complaint, the Department discovered that Respondents' web site was actively engaging in soliciting bail bond business. All Out Now's web site<sup>2</sup> offered and marketed bail bond services and provided contact information consisting of telephone numbers, email address, and a physical address of licensed bail bond Agent, Lance Robinson ("Robinson").
- 12. During a telephone conversation with a Department's investigator, Robinson confirmed that he purchased the rights to the All Out Now web site and telephone number from the Respondents at some time in 2017.
- 13. On October 26, 2020, the Department discovered the All Out Now's web site<sup>3</sup> was updated and included the following information, "We (All Out Now) are currently closed for business. If you need help with posting a bail bond you may chose [sic] from a number of Phoenix based bail bond companies. Or, we recommend Nice Guy's Bail Bonds at 602-795-9000."
- 14. All Out Now continues to sale, solicit, and negotiate bail bonds through its web site without holding a current and active business entity.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.alloutnowbailbonds.com/ (last visited September 28, 2020)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> <u>https://alloutnowbailbonds.com/</u> (last visited October 26, 2020)

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. The Director has jurisdiction over this matter.
- 2. Respondent's conduct, as described above, constitutes acting as a bail bond agent in violation of A.R.S. §20-340.01.
- 3. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 20-292, grounds exist for the Director to order Respondents' to cease and desist from engaging in any act in furtherance of the violation of A.R.S. § 20-340.01.

### **ORDER**

#### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Rhonda Jauan Ridgley, Joseph Paul Cetta, and All Out Now Bail Bonds LLC shall immediately cease and desist from unlawfully selling, soliciting or negotiating bail bonds.
- 2. This Order shall become effective immediately and shall remain in full force and effect until otherwise stayed, modified, vacated, or set aside.

# **NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING**

Pursuant to Title 20 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, Respondents are hereby notified that they may request a hearing pursuant to A.R.S. § 20-161 to contest the order to cease and desist. Such a request must be in writing and received at the following address within thirty (30) days from the date hereof:

Arizona Department of Insurance 100 North 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 261 Phoenix, Arizona 85007-2630 ATTN: Director's Office

Upon receipt of a timely written request for hearing, the Director will issue an order 1 2 setting the time and place of the hearing. 3 Effective this 1st day of December , 2020. 4 5 6 Evan G. Daniels, Director Arizona Department of Insurance and 7 **Financial Institutions** 8 9 10 11 12 **COPY** of the foregoing delivered by Certified Mail, Return Receipt requested, 13 this 3rd day of December , 2020, to: 14 Rhonda Jauan Ridgley and 9489 0090 0027 6266 7888 25 Joseph Paul Cetta 15 301 W. Mohave Street Phoenix, AZ 85003 16 Respondent 17 Rhonda Jauan Ridgley and 9489 0090 0027 6266 7888 32 Joseph Paul Cetta 18 4532 W. Kimberly Way Glendale, AZ 85308 19 Respondents 20 Lance Jeffery Robinson 9489 0090 0027 6266 7888 49 C/O Nice Guy's Bail Bonds PLLC 21 1010 E. Indian School Road Phoenix, AZ 85014 22 **Interested Party** 

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