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**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE**

**COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE**

**PETITIONER**

**VS.**

**CAUSE NO. 08-5764**

**SAFETY NATIONAL CASUALTY CORPORATION  
and CHRIS DUPREE**

**RESPONDENTS**

**CONSENT ORDER**

**THIS CAUSE** was scheduled for hearing before the Commissioner of Insurance of the State of Mississippi, sitting in a special session in the offices of the Commissioner of Insurance of the State of Mississippi, 10th Floor, Woolfolk State Office Building, 501 North West Street, Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi on Wednesday, June 18, 2008, at 10:00 a.m. on a complaint filed against Safety National Casualty Corporation ("Respondent Company") and Chris Dupree ("Respondent Agent"), to hear evidence concerning said complaint. The Commissioner of Insurance, having been informed that the parties have agreed to the following terms, hereby finds as follows:

**NOTICE AND HEARING**

I.

That on or about May 5, 2008, the Commissioner of Insurance of the State of Mississippi, or his appointee, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 83-39-17 (Supp. 2007), gave the required notice to the Respondents of the Commissioner's intention to hold a hearing for the purpose of reviewing the status of Respondent Company's Privilege License to transact business in this State, and Respondent Agent's Privilege License to operate as a Professional Bail Agent in the State of Mississippi.

II.

That said Notice of Hearing and Statement of Charges was sent to Respondents by certified mail, return receipt requested, in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 83-39-17 (Supp.2007), at the address Respondents provided to the Licensing Division of the Mississippi Department of Insurance.

III.

That pursuant to said Notice, a hearing was scheduled before the Commissioner of Insurance of the State of Mississippi, for 3:00 p.m., on Wednesday, June 4, 2008.

IV.

That the Respondents' attorney of record, Andy Sumrall, Esq., did enter an appearance in this matter and requested a continuance. The Request for a Continuance was granted and this matter was scheduled for hearing at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 18, 2008. Prior to the hearing date, the Commissioner of Insurance was informed the parties had reached a settlement agreement, the terms of which are stated within this Consent Order.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

The parties agree to the following Findings of Fact:

V.

The Respondent Agent has defaulted in payment to the courts for bonds issued by the Respondent Company as a surety insurer, resulting in twenty (20) Orders of Revocations being issued against the Respondents. The Parties also agree that as of the date of this Consent Order, all Orders of Forfeiture sent to the Department have received Set Aside Orders from the courts of proper jurisdiction.

**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

IN LIGHT OF THE AFOREMENTIONED Findings of Fact, the Commissioner of Insurance finds that Respondents Safety National Casualty Corporation and Chris Dupree, have committed the following violations:

VI.

That the Respondent, Chris Dupree, as a limited surety agent for Respondent Company, and Respondent Company, violated the provisions of Miss. Code Ann. § 83-39-15(1)(d) (Supp. 2007), as Respondents have failed to comply with Orders from courts of proper jurisdiction, specifically, that twenty (20) Orders for Forfeiture were issued against Respondents.

VII.

That the Respondent, Chris Dupree, as a limited surety agent for Respondent Company, and Respondent Company, violated the provisions of Miss. Code Ann. § 83-39-7 (Supp. 2007), as Respondents have failed to comply with Orders from courts of proper jurisdiction, specifically, that twenty (20) Orders for Forfeiture were issued against Respondents.

VIII.

That the Respondent, Chris Dupree, as a limited surety agent for Respondent Company, and Respondent Company, violated the provisions of Mississippi Department of Insurance Regulation 95-101, as Respondents have failed to comply with Orders from courts of proper jurisdiction, specifically, that twenty (20) Orders for Forfeiture were issued against Respondents.

**ORDER**

**IT IS, THEREFORE, AGREED AND ORDERED** that the charges previously filed herein against the Respondents, Safety National Casualty Corporation and Chris Dupree, should be and the

same are hereby sustained.

**IT IS FURTHER AGREED AND ORDERED**, that the Respondents shall be assessed an administrative penalty in the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to be paid to the Department of Insurance within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. This is the joint and several obligation of Respondents.

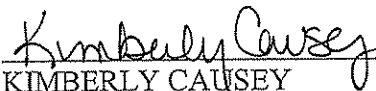
**IT IS FURTHER AGREED AND ORDERED**, that the Respondent Chris Dupree, and Respondent Safety National Casualty Corporation, shall not cause any additional Orders of Revocation to be sent to the Department.

**AGREED:**



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ANDY SUMRALL, Esq.  
Attorney for Respondents  
Bar ID No.: 8077

**AGREED:**



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KIMBERLY CAUSEY  
Special Assistant Attorney General  
Mississippi Department of Insurance  
Bar ID No. 10816

**SO ORDERED AND DONE**, this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2008.

  
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MIKE CHANEY  
COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE