# OCCC CASE NO. L19-00007

IN THE MATTER OF: § BEFORE THE

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**§ OFFICE OF CONSUMER** 

MASTER FILE NO.: 12369

NORTHEAST SUPER PAWN LLC § CREDIT COMMISSIONER

622 N. MAIN

CLEBURNE, TEXAS 76033 § STATE OF TEXAS

# ORDER ASSESSING ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF INJUNCTIVE ORDER

The Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner ("OCCC") issues this Order Assessing Administrative Penalty for Violation of Injunctive Order against Northeast Super Pawn LLC ("Northeast Super Pawn").<sup>1</sup>

# Statement of Facts and Law

Northeast Super Pawn is a pawnshop licensed by the OCCC under Chapter 371 of the Texas Finance Code. Northeast Super Pawn operates under master file number 12369 at one licensed location, under license number 4918. Northeast Super Pawn's compliance officer is Richard L. Bullard, and its designated contact address is 622 N. Main, Cleburne, Texas 76033.

A pawnshop must file annual reports with the Consumer Credit Commissioner ("Commissioner").<sup>2</sup> A pawnshop must file an annual report providing certain information in a format prescribed by the Commissioner and in accordance with the Commissioner's instructions.<sup>3</sup> An annual report for each pawnshop licensed location must be filed for the period of January 1st to December 31st of the preceding year.<sup>4</sup>

The Commissioner may issue an injunction ordering a pawnshop to file one or more complete, accurate, and timely annual reports if the Commissioner has reasonable cause to believe that the pawnshop is violating Chapter 371 of the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Tex. Fin. Code § 371.201, 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 85.502.

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<sup>4 7</sup> Tex. Admin. Code § 85.502.

Texas Finance Code.<sup>5</sup> If a hearing is not timely requested, the injunctive order is considered final and becomes enforceable.<sup>6</sup> The Commissioner, after giving notice, may impose an administrative penalty for violation of the injunctive order, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000 for each day of violation.<sup>7</sup>

On September 2, 2016, the OCCC issued an Injunctive Order to File Timely and Accurate Annual Reports (the "Order") against Northeast Super Pawn for violating Chapter 371 of the Texas Finance Code by failing to timely file its 2015 annual report. The Order required Northeast Super Pawn to timely file all future annual reports.

A pawnshop must file a 2017 annual report for each licensed location on or before June 1, 2018.8 The OCCC notified Northeast Super Pawn that its 2017 report had not been received and extended the deadline to file the report to September 10, 2018. As of November 1, 2018, Northeast Super Pawn still had not filed its 2017 annual report with the Commissioner for license location number 4918. Therefore, Northeast Super Pawn violated the Injunctive Order issued on September 2, 2016.

#### Order

IT IS ORDERED that Northeast Super Pawn LLC:

- 1. pay an administrative penalty in the amount of \$500.00 no later than January 28, 2019; and
- 2. file its 2017 annual report no later than January 28, 2019.

Pawnshop annual reports must be submitted either by mail to 2601 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin, Texas 78705, by email to annualreport@occc.texas.gov, or through the OCCC's Application Licensing Examination and Compliance System (ALECS): alecs.occc.texas.gov. Instructions are available by clicking the "File Annual Report" button on the OCCC's home page, occc.texas.gov.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208; 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 371.302(a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(c).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(c).

 $<sup>{}^{8}\,</sup>https://occc.texas.gov/industry/pawnshops-and-pawn-employees/annual-reports}$ 

# Response and Right to Request Hearing

You have the right to request a hearing regarding this Order. Your request must be made in writing and sent to the OCCC not later than 30 days after you receive this Order. You must send your request to:

Laurie Hobbs Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner 2601 N. Lamar Blvd. Austin, Texas 78705

If you request a hearing, a hearing on this matter will be set and conducted in accordance with Chapter 2001 of the Texas Government Code.<sup>10</sup> If you fail to request a hearing by this deadline, this Order is considered final and enforceable.<sup>11</sup>

All communications with the OCCC concerning this matter must be through Laurie Hobbs, Assistant General Counsel, who may be contacted by mail at 2601 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin, Texas 78705, by telephone at (512) 936-7621, or by email to laurie.hobbs@occc.texas.gov.

Signed this 6th day of December, 2018.

/s/ Leslie Pettijohn
Leslie L. Pettijohn
Consumer Credit Commissioner
State of Texas

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(b).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(c).

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on December 12, 2018, a true and correct copy of this Injunctive Order to File Timely and Accurate Annual Reports has been sent to Northeast Super Pawn LLC by regular mail and certified mail, return receipt requested, at:

CMRRR: 91 7199 9991 7038 3509 9576

Northeast Super Pawn LLC

Attn: Richard L. Bullard, Compliance Officer

622 N. Main

Cleburne, Texas 76033

CMRRR: 91 7199 9991 7038 3509 9569

Northeast Super Pawn LLC

Attn: Richard Lance Bullard, Registered Agent

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# /s/ Laurie B. Hobbs

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