OCCC CASE NO. L19-00118

IN THE MATTER OF:	§	BEFORE THE
LICENSE NO.: 1430293	§ §	OFFICE OF CONSUMER
ANTHONY HUERTA	§ §	CREDIT COMMISSIONER
9746 HIDDEN PLAINS ST.	§	
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78250	ŝ	STATE OF TEXAS

ORDER TO CEASE AND DESIST

The Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner ("OCCC") issues this Order to Cease and Desist against Anthony Huerta, based on the violations of law described below.¹

Statement of Facts and Law

An individual who is employed at a pawnshop to write pawn transactions, buy or sell merchandise, or supervise another employee who writes pawn transactions or buys or sells merchandise to a consumer must either hold a pawnshop employee license on the date of employment or apply for a pawnshop employee license not later than the 75th day after beginning employment.²

On April 27, 2018, the OCCC received Anthony Huerta's application for a pawnshop employee license related to Anthony Huerta's employment with Edward L. Laviolette III, which is licensed by the OCCC under Master File No. 1266. Anthony Huerta was issued a pawnshop employee license (No. 1430293) and the license is currently active.

According to the license application, Anthony Huerta began working for Edward L. Laviolette III on April 11, 2016. Anthony Huerta's previous pawnshop employee license (No. 1430295) expired on July 1, 2017. Anthony Huerta worked 300 days as a pawnshop employee before submitting a new license application to the OCCC, in violation of Section 371.101(a) of the Texas Finance Code.

¹ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208.

² Tex. Fin. Code § 371.101(a).

Authority

If the Commissioner has reasonable cause to believe that a person is violating Chapter 371, the Commissioner may issue an order to cease and desist from the violation, take affirmative action, or both, to enforce compliance.³

The Commissioner has reasonable cause to believe that Anthony Huerta violated Chapter 371 by writing pawn transactions, buying or selling merchandise, or supervising another employee who writes pawn transactions or buys or sells merchandise without either holding a pawnshop employee license or applying for a pawnshop employee license within 75 days of beginning employment.

Order

IT IS ORDERED that Anthony Huerta cease and desist from writing pawn transactions, buying or selling merchandise, or supervising another employee who writes pawn transactions or buys or sells merchandise without holding a pawnshop employee license or applying for a license within 75 days of beginning employment.

Violation of Order

Anthony Huerta may be assessed an administrative penalty of up to \$1,000 for each day of violating this Order after it becomes final.⁴ Multiple violations may also result in license revocation.⁵

Right to Request Hearing

Anthony Huerta has the right to request a hearing regarding this Order.⁶ A request must be made in writing and sent to the OCCC not later than 30 days after receiving this Order. The request must be sent to:

³ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(a).

⁴ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(c).

⁵ Tex. Fin. Code § 371.255; 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 85.604(b)(5), (7).

⁶ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(b).

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If Anthony Huerta requests a hearing, a hearing on this matter will be set and conducted in accordance with Chapter 2001 of the Texas Government Code.⁷ If Anthony Huerta does not request a hearing by the deadline, this Order is considered final and enforceable.⁸

All communications with the OCCC concerning this matter must be through Michael Rigby, General Counsel, who may be contacted by mail at 2601 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin, Texas 78705, by telephone at (512) 936-7623, or by email to michael.rigby@occc.texas.gov.

Signed this 9th day of November, 2018.

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

⁷ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(b).

⁸ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(c).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on November 15, 2018, a true and correct copy of this Order to Cease and Desist has been sent to Anthony Huerta by regular mail and certified mail, return receipt requested, at:

CMRRR# 91 7199 9991 7038 3517 9759 Anthony Huerta 9746 Hidden Plains St. San Antonio, TX 78250

CMRRR# 91 7199 9991 7038 3517 9766 Edward L. Laviolette III ATTN: Anthony Huerta 8800 Huebner San Antonio, TX 78240

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