#### OCCC CASE NO. L23-00044

IN THE MATTER OF:	§	<b>BEFORE THE</b>
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MASTER FILE NO.: 17253	S	OFFICE OF CONSUMER
RIO TITLE LOANS LLC	§	
1104 E. HWY 83, STE. A	§	CREDIT COMMISSIONER
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS	§	
78582	ş	STATE OF TEXAS

### ORDER TO FILE TIMELY AND ACCURATE QUARTERLY AND ANNUAL REPORTS

The Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner ("OCCC") issues this Order to File Timely and Accurate Quarterly and Annual Reports against Rio Title Loans LLC ("Rio Title").<sup>1</sup>

#### Statement of Facts and Law

Rio Title is a credit services organization licensed to act as a credit access business under Chapter 393 of the Texas Finance Code. Rio Title operates under master file number 17253 at one licensed location, under license number 64165. Rio Title's compliance officer is Rogelio Saenz, and its designated contact address is 1104 E. Hwy 83, Ste. A, Rio Grande City, Texas 78582.

A credit access business must file quarterly and annual reports with the OCCC for all licensed locations.<sup>2</sup> All information on the reports must be accurate and calculated in accordance with the OCCC's instructions.<sup>3</sup> The reports are due by the following deadlines each year:<sup>4</sup>

- First quarter report: April 30
- Second quarter report: July 31
- Third quarter report: October 31
- Fourth quarter report and annual report: January 31

Rio Title did not file its 2022 annual report with the Commissioner by the deadline of January 31, 2023.

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Tex. Fin. Code §§ 393.622, 393.627; 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 83.5001(a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 83.5001(a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 83.5001(b)(1); https://occc.texas.gov/industry/cabs/reporting

The Consumer Credit Commissioner ("Commissioner") may issue an injunction ordering a credit access business to file one or more complete, accurate, and timely quarterly or annual reports if the Commissioner has reasonable cause to believe that the credit access business is violating Chapter 393 of the Texas Finance Code.<sup>5</sup>

The Commissioner has reasonable cause to believe that Rio Title is violating Chapter 393 of the Texas Finance Code, and therefore issues this Order, because Rio Title failed to timely file its 2022 annual report.

# Order

IT IS ORDERED that Rio Title Loans LLC:

- 1. comply with, and cease and desist from violating, the reporting requirements set forth in Section 393.627 of the Texas Finance Code and Title 7, Section 83.5001 of the Texas Administrative Code;
- 2. file its 2022 annual report no later than 30 days after the date of this Order, if it has not already done so; and
- 3. timely file complete and accurate future quarterly and annual reports.

Credit access business quarterly and annual reports must be submitted 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.

## Violation of Order

If you violate this Order, the OCCC may impose an administrative penalty of up to \$1,000 per day.<sup>6</sup> Multiple violations may also result in the suspension or revocation of your license.<sup>7</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208; 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 83.5001(e)(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(c); 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 83.5001(e)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Tex. Fin. Code § 393.614; 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 83.5001(e)(3).

# **Right to Request Hearing**

You have the right to request a hearing regarding this Order.<sup>8</sup> Your request must be made in writing and sent to the OCCC no later than 30 days after the date of this Order.<sup>9</sup> You must send your request to Audrey Spalding, Assistant General Counsel, by mail to 2601 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin, TX 78705, or by email to audrey.spalding@occc.texas.gov.

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 Audrey Spalding, Assistant General Counsel, who may be contacted by mail at 2601 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin, TX 78705, by telephone at 512-936-7659, or by email to audrey.spalding@occc.texas.gov.

Signed this 17th day of April 2023.

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</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 April 17, 2023, a true and correct copy of this Order to File Timely and Accurate Quarterly and Annual Reports has been sent to Rio Title Loans LLC by regular mail and certified mail, return receipt requested, at:

CMRRR # 9214 8901 9403 8300 0007 3406 41 Rio Title Loans LLC Attn: Rogelio Saenz, Compliance Officer 1104 E. Hwy 83, Ste. A Rio Grande City, TX 78582

CMRRR # 9214 8901 9403 8300 0007 3406 58 Rio Title Loans LLC Attn: Rogelio Saenz, Registered Agent 502 Paul Dr. Mission, TX 78572

> <u>/s/Audrey Spalding</u> Audrey Spalding Assistant General Counsel Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner State Bar No. 24111055 2601 North Lamar Blvd. Austin, Texas 78705 (512) 936-7659 (phone) audrey.spalding@occc.texas.gov