OCCC CASE NO. L24-00025

IN THE MATTER OF:	§	BEFORE THE
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MASTER FILE NO.: 1387	§	OFFICE OF CONSUMER
WAYSIDE PAWN INC.	§	
d/b/a BIG CITY PAWN	§	CREDIT COMMISSIONER
1300 WAYSIDE DR.	§	
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77011	§	STATE OF TEXAS

ORDER TO FILE TIMELY AND ACCURATE ANNUAL REPORTS

The Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner ("OCCC") issues this Order to File Timely and Accurate Annual Reports against Wayside Pawn Inc. d/b/a Big City Pawn ("Big City Pawn").¹

Statement of Facts and Law

Big City Pawn is a pawnshop licensed by the OCCC under Chapter 371 of the Texas Finance Code. Big City Pawn operates under master file number 1387 at multiple licensed locations, under license numbers 5298 and 156077. Big City Pawn's compliance officer is Terek Moss, and its designated contact address is 1300 Wayside Dr., Houston, Texas 77011.

A pawnshop must file annual reports with the OCCC.² A pawnshop must comply with all instructions from the OCCC relating to submitting the report, and must file a report for each licensed location.³ The report is due by July 31 of each year for the prior calendar year's activity.⁴

Big City Pawn did not file its 2022 annual report by the deadline of July 31, 2023.

¹ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208.

² Tex. Fin. Code § 371.201; 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 85.502.

 $^{^3}$ 7 Tex. Admin. Code \S 85.502.

⁴ 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 85.502; https://occc.texas.gov/industry/pawnshops-and-pawn-employees/annual-reports

The Consumer Credit Commissioner ("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 Texas Finance Code.⁵

The Commissioner has reasonable cause to believe that Big City Pawn is violating Chapter 371 of the Texas Finance Code, and therefore issues this Order, because Big City Pawn failed to timely file its 2022 annual report.

Order

IT IS ORDERED that Wayside Pawn Inc. d/b/a Big City Pawn:

- 1. comply with, and cease and desist from violating, the reporting requirements set forth in 371.201 of the Texas Finance Code and Title 7, Section 85.502 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 annual reports.

Pawnshop 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 for each day.⁶ Multiple violations may also result in the suspension or revocation of your license.⁷

⁵ Tex. Fin. Code §§ 14.208, 371.302(a).

⁶ Tex. Fin. Code §§ 14.208(c), 371.303; 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 85.604(b).

⁷ Tex. Fin. Code § 371.251; ⁷ Tex. Admin. Code § 85.604(b).

Right to Request Hearing

You have the right to request a hearing regarding this Order.⁸ To request a hearing, you must send a written hearing request to the OCCC no later than 30 days after the date of this Order.⁹ You must send your request to Vivek Vedanarayanan, Assistant General Counsel, by mail to 2601 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin, Texas 78705, or by email to vivek.vedanarayanan@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. ¹⁰ If you fail to request a hearing by the deadline, this Order will be considered final and enforceable. ¹¹

All communications with the OCCC concerning this matter must be through Vivek Vedanarayanan, Assistant 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 at vivek.vedanarayanan@occc.texas.gov

Signed this 2nd day of February, 2024.

/s/ Leslie Pettijohn
Leslie L. Pettijohn
Congress Credit Congression

Consumer Credit Commissioner State of Texas

⁸ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(b).

⁹ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(b).

¹⁰ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(b).

¹¹ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(c).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on February 2, 2024, a true and correct copy of this Order to File Timely and Accurate Annual Reports has been sent to Wayside Pawn Inc. d/b/a Big City Pawn by regular mail and certified mail, return receipt requested, at:

CMRRR# 9214 8901 9403 8300 0043 5938 27 Wayside Pawn Inc. Attn: Terek Moss, Compliance Officer 1300 Wayside Dr. Houston, TX 77011

CMRRR# 9214 8901 9403 8300 0043 5938 34 Wayside Pawn Inc. Attn: Joe Saldivar, Registered Agent 2607 Sandstone Creek Dr. Pearland, TX 77581

/s/ Vivek V. Vedanarayanan

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