

OCCC CASE NO. L26-036

IN THE MATTER OF:

**RELIEF TECHNOLOGIES INC.
D/B/A RELIEF**

MASTER FILE NO.: 2200073024

BEFORE THE

**OFFICE OF CONSUMER
CREDIT COMMISSIONER**

STATE OF TEXAS

**ORDER TO FILE TIMELY AND ACCURATE ANNUAL REPORTS
AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTS**

The Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner ("OCCC") issues this Order to File Timely and Accurate Annual Reports and Required Documents against Relief Technologies Inc. d/b/a Relief ("Relief").¹

Statement of Facts and Law

Relief is a debt management services provider registered with the OCCC under Chapter 394 of the Texas Finance Code. Relief operates under master file number 2200073024 and registration number 223208. Relief's compliance officer is Ram Berrouet, and its designated contact address is 2000 Ponce De Leon Boulevard, Suite 500 Coral Gables, Florida 33134.

A debt management services provider must file annual reports with the OCCC.² Additionally, a debt management services provider must annually file the following required documents with the OCCC:

- (1) a blank copy of the provider's written debt management services agreement;³
- (2) blank copies of credit counseling information provided to consumers;⁴
- (3) a surety bond or evidence that the provider maintains an insurance policy.⁵

¹ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(a).

² Tex. Fin. Code § 394.205(b); 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 88.202(b).

³ Tex. Fin. Code § 394.205(d); 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 88.202(c)(1).

⁴ Tex. Fin. Code § 394.205(d); 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 88.202(c)(2).

⁵ Tex. Fin. Code § 394.206; 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 88.202(c)(3).

A provider must comply with all instructions from the OCCC relating to submitting the report.⁶ The annual report and required documents are due by January 31 of each year.⁷

Relief did not file its 2025 annual report with the OCCC by the deadline of January 31, 2026, and did not provide the required documents described above by the deadline of January 31, 2026.

The Consumer Credit Commissioner (“Commissioner”) may issue an injunction ordering a debt management services provider to file one or more complete, accurate, and timely annual reports and required documents if the Commissioner has reasonable cause to believe that the debt management services provider is violating Chapter 394 of the Texas Finance Code.⁸

The Commissioner has reasonable cause to believe that Relief is violating Chapter 394 of the Texas Finance Code, and therefore issues this Order, because Relief failed to timely file its 2025 annual report and required documents.

Order

IT IS ORDERED that Relief Technologies Inc. d/b/a Relief:

1. comply with, and cease and desist from violating, the reporting and filing requirements set forth in Sections 394.205 and 394.206 of the Texas Finance Code and Title 7, Sections 88.201 and 88.202 of the Texas Administrative Code;
2. file its 2025 annual report and all required documents 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 and required documents.

⁶ 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 88.202(a).

⁷ 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 88.201(c).

⁸ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(a).

Annual reports for debt management services providers must be submitted through the OCCC's Application Licensing Examination and Compliance System (ALECS): alecs.occ.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.⁹ Multiple violations may also result in the suspension or revocation of your registration.¹⁰

Right to Request Hearing

You have the right to request a hearing regarding this Order.¹¹ 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. 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@occ.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.¹² If you fail to request a hearing by the deadline, this Order will be considered final and enforceable.¹³

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@occ.texas.gov.

Signed this 31st day of March, 2026.

/s/ Leslie Pettijohn

Leslie L. Pettijohn

Consumer Credit Commissioner

State of Texas

⁹ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(c).

¹⁰ Tex. Fin. Code § 394.204(k).

¹¹ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(b).

¹² Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(b).

¹³ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(c).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on March 31, 2026, a true and correct copy of this Order to File Timely and Accurate Annual Reports and Required Documents has been sent to Relief Technologies Inc. d/b/a Relief by the following:

Relief Technologies Inc.
Attn: Ram Berrouet, Compliance Officer
2000 Ponce De Leon Boulevard, Suite 500
Coral Gables, FL 33134
ram@relief.app

- ☒ email
- ☐ eFileTexas.gov electronic service
- ☒ regular mail
- ☒ certified mail, return receipt requested
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Relief Technologies Inc.
Attn: CT Corporation System,
Registered Agent
1999 Bryan Street, Suite 900
Dallas, TX 75201
ct-statecommunications@wolterskluwer.com

- ☒ email
- ☐ eFileTexas.gov electronic service
- ☒ regular mail
- ☒ certified mail, return receipt requested
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