

## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY PUBLIC PROTECTION CABINET DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AGENCY CASE NO. 2014-AH-0114

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

**COMPLAINANT** 

VS.

ADVANCE AMERICA CASH ADVANCE CENTERS OF KENTUCKY d/b/a CHECK ADVANCE

RESPONDENT

## **AGREED ORDER**

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- 1. The Department of Financial Institutions ("DFI") is responsible for regulating and licensing entities engaged in the business of cashing checks and accepting deferred deposit transactions in accordance with the provisions set forth in KRS Chapter 286.9.
- 2. Advance America Cash Advance Centers of Kentucky d/b/a Check Advance ("Respondent") is authorized to do business in Kentucky as a check casher pursuant to KRS Chapter 286.9, with an office located at 1714 Perryville Road, Suite 200, Danville, Kentucky. The Danville office license number is 11599.
- 3. DFI conducted a routine examination of Respondent on June 26, 2014. During the examination, DFI discovered that Respondent improperly closed a customer's loan in the Veritec database. When the loan was reopened, it was discovered that the customer had entered into deferred deposit transactions exceeding the limits allowed under KRS Chapter 286.9, in violation of KRS 286.9-140(1).
- 4. DFI possesses a range of administrative authority in addressing violations of the Act, including license revocation or denial, the imposition of fines in an amount up to \$5,000 per violation. See KRS 286.9-110; 286.9-991.

- 5. In this case, DFI assessed a fine against Respondent in the amount of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) for violating KRS 286.9-140(1).
- 6. In the interest of economically and efficiently resolving the violation(s) described herein, and without Respondent admitting or denying the statements of fact and legal conclusions herein, DFI and Respondent agree as follows:
  - a. Respondent agrees to a fine assessment in the amount of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) for the violation(s) described herein;
  - b. Respondent agrees to and shall pay the total fine assessed herein of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00), which shall be due upon entry of the Agreed Order. The payment shall be in the form of a certified check or money order made payable to "Kentucky State Treasurer" and mailed to the Department of Financial Institutions, Attn: Non-Depository Division, 1025 Capital Center Drive, Suite 200, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601;
  - c. Respondent shall devote the time and resources necessary to ensure continual and full compliance with all statutory requirements set forth in KRS Chapter 286.9.
- 7. Respondent waives its right to demand a hearing at which it would be entitled to legal representation, to confront and cross examine witnesses, and to present evidence on its own behalf, or to otherwise appeal or set aside this Order.
- 8. Respondent consents to and acknowledges the jurisdiction of DFI over this matter and that this Agreed Order is a matter of public record and may be disseminated as such.
- 9. In consideration of execution of this Agreed Order, Respondent for itself, and for its successors and assigns, hereby releases and forever discharges the Commonwealth of

Kentucky, DFI, Office of Legal Services, and each of their members, agents, and employees in their individual capacities, from any and all manner of actions, causes of action, suits, debts, judgments, executions, claims and demands whatsoever, known and unknown, in law or equity, that Respondent ever had, now has, may have or claim to have against any or all of the persons or entities named in this paragraph arising out of or by reason of this investigation, this disciplinary action, this settlement or its administration.

- 10. By signing below, the parties acknowledge they have read the foregoing Agreed Order, know and fully understand its contents, and that they are authorized to enter into and execute this Agreed Order and legally bind their respective parties.
  - 11. This Agreed Order shall constitute the Final Order in this matter.

IT IS SO ORDERED on this the 25 day of September 2014.

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This Style day of September, 2014.	This day of Soften bor 2014.
Tammy Scruggs, Director  Divisions of Non-Depository Institutions  Department of Financial Institutions	Authorized Representative Advance American Cash Advance Centers of Kentucky, Inc. d/b/a Check Advance
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT	
On this the day of a hemore undersigned which are representative of Advance Am d/b/a Check Advance. and that he/she, being auth foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contains	erica Cash Advance Centers of Kentucky, Inc. orized to do so, entered into and executed the
In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand.	
My Commission Expires: Charlet 3, 2015	
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## **Certificate of Service**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing **Agreed Order** was sent on this the day of September 2014, by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the following:

Pam Bodkins
Compliance Specialist
Advance America Cash Advance Centers of Kentucky, Inc.
d/b/a Check Advance
P.O. Box 3058
Spartanburg, SC 29304

And by hand-delivery to:

Katherine W. Ross
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1025 Capital Center Drive, Suite 200
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Christina Hayden

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