

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY PUBLIC PROTECTION CABINET DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AGENCY CASE NO. 2014-AH-152

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

COMPLAINANT

v.

CASH EXPRESS, LLC

RESPONDENT

AGREED ORDER

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- 1. The Department of Financial Institutions ("DF1") 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. Cash Express, LLC ("Respondent") is authorized to do business in Kentucky as a deferred deposit and check cashing licensee pursuant to KRS Chapter 286.9, with an office located at 630 West 7th Street, Hopkinsville, Kentucky 42240. Respondent's license number for the referenced location is 24452.
- 3. The DFI conducted a routine examination of Respondent on September 4, 2014. During the examination, the DFI discovered that Respondent failed to accurately enter customer information into the Veritec database in violation of KRS 286.9-140(1). This inaccurate information allowed one of Respondent's customers to enter into deferred deposit transactions exceeding the limits allowed under KRS 286.9-100(9). Additionally, Respondent closed transactions in the Veritec database for three customers when each customer still owed a balance on his or her loan in violation of KRS 286.9-140(1). When the loans were reopened, each customer's outstanding balance exceeded the limits allowed under KRS 286.9-100(9).

- 4. The DFI possesses a range of administrative authority in addressing violations of KRS Chapter 286.9 and the administrative regulations promulgated thereunder, including license suspension, license revocation, license denial, and 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, the DFI assessed a fine against Respondent in the amount of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000.00) for the violations of KRS 286.9-100(9) and 286.9-140(1).
- 6. In the interest of economically and efficiently resolving the violation(s) described herein, the DFI and Respondent agree as follows:
 - a. Respondent agrees to, and shall pay the total fine assessed herein of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000), which shall be due when Respondent signs and returns this 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;
 - b. Respondent agrees to make restitution, by check drawn on the Respondent's account, to all affected customers by refunding the service fees on the transactions that created the database violation and to maintain records consistent with KRS 286.9-074 that such refund checks were issued to the customers and were processed for payment by the customer;
 - 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.

Respondent waives its right to demand a hearing at which it would be entitled to 7. 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.

Respondent consents to and acknowledges the jurisdiction of the DFI over this 8. matter, and acknowledges that this Agreed Order is a matter of public record and may be disseminated as such.

In consideration of execution of this Agreed Order, Respondent for itself, and for 9. its successors and assigns, hereby releases and forever discharges the Commonwealth of Kentucky, the DFI, the 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.

By signing below, the parties acknowledge they have read the foregoing Agreed 10. 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 15th day of Accept, 2014.

Consented to:	
This <u>lath</u> day of <u>December</u> , 2014.	This day of <u>December</u> , 2014.
Tammy Scruggs, Director Division of Non-Depository Institutions Department of Financial Institutions	Authorized Representative Cash Express, LLC (License #24452)
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT	
STATE OF	
On this the 8th day of <u>December</u> , 2014, before me <u>Rhona</u> <u>Cle</u> , the undersigned, <u>Jeff Olson</u> , did personally appear and acknowledge himself/herself to be the authorized representative of Cash Express, LLC (License #24452) and that he/she, being authorized to do so, entered into and executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained.	
In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand.	
My Commission Expires: 12/20/16	
STATE OF TENNESSEE NOTARY PUBLIC	Rhoida M. Cole Notary Public

Certificate of Service

of Lecuster, 2014, by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the following:

Jeff Olson, President Cash Express, LLC 263 West Spring Street Cookeville, Tennessee 38501

And by hand-delivery to:

John C. Allender Kentucky Department of Financial Institutions 1025 Capital Center Drive, Suite 200 Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

Christina Hayden

Department of Financial Institutions