

**STATE OF OREGON
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS SERVICES
INSURANCE DIVISION**

In the Matter of **Steven B. Wernke**

) **FINAL ORDER**

) Case No. INS 12-01-006

The Director of the Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services (director) commenced this administrative proceeding, pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 731.256, to terminate previous enforcement action taken against Steven B. Wernke (Wernke).

The director makes the following final decision in this proceeding.

Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law

Licensing Information

Wernke has been licensed in Oregon as a resident individual insurance producer since 2/22/10. Wernke's license has been suspended since 12/19/11 pursuant to ORS 25.780(1). Wernke's license is scheduled to expire on 8/31/12. Wernke's license number is 756685. Wernke's NAIC national producer number is 15629942. Wernke's last recorded residence address is 4934 SW Palatine Street, Portland, OR 97219-7282; and telephone number is 503-490-3693. Wernke's last recorded principal place of business address is 5440 SW Westgate Drive Suite 355, Portland, OR 97221-2420; and telephone number is 503-292-3138.

License No Longer Subject to Suspension Pursuant to ORS 25.750 to 25.783

Wernke is no longer subject to enforcement action pursuant to ORS 25.774 because of the following circumstances. ORS 25.780(1) requires an "entity that issues licenses, certificates, permits or registrations that a person is required by state law to possess to engaged in an occupation, [or] profession ...to suspend without further hearing the license, certificate, permit or registration of a person upon certification by the administrator [as defined in ORS 25.010(1)] that the person is subject to an order suspending the license, certificate, permit or

registration. The certification must include the information specified in ORS 25.750(1).” On 11/14/11, the director received from the Oregon Department of Justice a notice to suspend dated 11/8/11 certifying that Wernke is subject to an order suspending Wernke’s Oregon resident individual insurance producer license pursuant to ORS 25.780(1). The certification included the information specified in ORS 25.750(1). On 12/19/11, the director issued an order, case number INS 12-01-006, suspending Wernke’s license pursuant to ORS 25.780(1). ORS 25.774 states in part that “[w]hen, at any time after suspension under ORS 25.750 to 25.783, the conditions resulting in the suspension no longer exist, the administrator [as defined in ORS 25.010(1)] shall so notify the issuing entity and shall confirm that the license, certificate, permit or registration may be reinstated contingent upon the requirements of the issuing entity. On 1/31/12, the director received from the Oregon Department of Justice a notice to reinstate dated 1/26/12 pursuant to ORS 25.774 informing the director that the director may reinstate Wernke’s license “because the reasons for suspension no longer exist.”

Order

Pursuant to ORS 25.774, Wernke’s Oregon resident individual insurance producer license is no longer suspended effective the date of this order.

Notice of Right to Judicial Review

A party has the right to judicial review of this order pursuant to ORS 183.480 and ORS 183.482. A party may request judicial review by sending a petition for judicial review to the Oregon Court of Appeals. The court must receive the petition within 60 days from the date this order was served on the party. If the order was personally delivered to a party, then the date of service is the date the party received the order. If the order was mailed to a party, then the date of service is the date the order was mailed to the party, not the date the party received the order. If a party files a petition, the party is requested to also send a copy of the petition to the Insurance Division by delivering or mailing it to the Insurance Division at Labor and Industries Building, 350 Winter Street NE Room 300, Salem, Oregon

97301-3880; or mailing it to PO Box 14480, Salem, OR 97309-0405; or faxing it to 503-378-4351; or e-mailing it to mitchel.d.curzon@state.or.us.

Dated February 15, 2012

/s/ Louis Savage
Louis Savage
Acting Administrator
Insurance Division
Department of Consumer and Business Services

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