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FINANCIAL SERVICES

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TOM GALLAGHER  
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER  
STATE OF FLORIDA

AT

04-0688

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IN THE MATTER OF:

DFS CASE NO.: 62093-02-AG

RAFAEL PUIG

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FINAL ORDER

THIS CAUSE came on before the undersigned Deputy Chief Financial Officer of the State of Florida for consideration and final agency action. The Department of Financial Services denied Petitioner's application dated February 7, 2002, for licensure as a Temporary Limited Surety/Bail Bond Agent. The Petitioner timely filed a request for a formal proceeding pursuant to section 120.57(1), Florida Statutes, but Jurisdiction was subsequently relinquished at the agreement of both parties, and the file was closed. On February 26, 2004, Respondent moved to reopen the matter. Respondent's motion was granted, and the matter was assigned DOAH case 04-0688. By Notice of Hearing entered March 15, 2004, the final hearing was set for May 10, 2004, by video teleconference between Miami and Tallahassee, Florida. The proceeding was held before the Honorable Claude B. Arrington, Administrative Law Judge, for the Division of Administrative Hearings.

After consideration of the evidence and argument presented at the hearing, the Administrative Law Judge issued his Recommended Order on May 25, 2004. (A true and correct copy of the said Recommended Order is attached hereto as Exhibit A). The Administrative Law Judge recommended that the Department enter a Final Order denying

Petitioner's application for licensure as a Temporary Limited Surety/Bail Bond Agent in the State of Florida. Neither party filed exceptions.

Therefore, upon careful consideration of the entire record, the submissions of the parties and being otherwise fully advised in the premises, it is hereby ORDERED:

1. The Findings of Fact of the Hearing Officer are adopted in full as the Department's Findings of Fact.

2. The Conclusions of Law of the Hearing Officer are adopted in full as the Department's Conclusions of Law.

3. The Administrative Law Judge's recommendation that the Department enter a Final Order denying Petitioner RAFAEL PUIG's application for licensure as a Temporary Limited Surety/Bail Bond Agent in the State of Florida, is ACCEPTED as being the appropriate disposition of this case.

ACCORDINGLY, Petitioner RAFAEL PUIG's application for licensure as a Temporary Limited Surety/Bail Bond Agent in the state of Florida is DENIED.


#### NOTICE OF RIGHTS

Any party to these proceedings adversely affected by this Order is entitled to seek review of this Order pursuant to section 120.68, Florida Statutes, and Rule 9.110, Fla. R. App. P. Review proceedings must be instituted by filing a petition or notice of appeal with the General Counsel, acting as the agency clerk, at 612 Larson Building, 200 E. Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-0300, and copy of the same and the appropriate filing fee with the appropriate

District Court of Appeal within thirty (30) days of rendition of this Order.

DONE and ORDERED this 22nd day of July, 2004.



  
KAREN CHANDLER  
Deputy Chief Financial Officer

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