

OCCC CASE NO. L21-00135

IN THE MATTER OF:	§	BEFORE THE
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MASTER FILE NO.:2000067091	§	OFFICE OF CONSUMER
BLACK DOG FINANCIAL, INC.	§	
d/b/a STATEWIDE EMERGENCY	§	CREDIT COMMISSIONER
FINANCIAL SOLUTIONS, INC.	§	
5900 BALCONES DRIVE, STE. 4133	§	STATE OF TEXAS
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78731	§	

ORDER IMPOSING ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY

The Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner (“OCCC”) issues this Order Assessing Administrative Penalty for Violation of Injunctive Order against Black Dog Financial, Inc. d/b/a Statewide Emergency Financial Solutions, Inc. (“Statewide Emergency Financial”).¹⁹

Statement of Facts and Law

Statewide Emergency Financial is a credit services organization licensed to act as a credit access business under Chapter 393 of the Texas Finance Code. Statewide Emergency Financial operates under master file number 2000067091 at one licensed location, under license number 164835. Statewide Emergency Financial’s compliance officer is Dr. Tanyanika Mattos, and its designated contact address is 5900 Balcones Drive, Ste. 4133, Austin, Texas 78731.

A credit access business must file quarterly and annual reports with the Consumer Credit Commissioner (“Commissioner”).²⁰ A credit access business must submit its quarterly and annual reports on or before the following dates:

- 1st quarter report – April 30;
- 2nd quarter report – July 31;
- 3rd quarter report – October 31; and
- 4th quarter and annual report – January 31.²¹

¹⁹ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(c).

²⁰ Tex. Fin. Code § 393.627.

²¹ 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 83.5001.

If a credit access business violates the quarterly or annual reporting requirements for a second time within four quarters of a first reporting violation, the OCCC may impose an administrative penalty against the credit access business of \$500.00 for each of its licensed locations.²² If a credit access business fails to file a quarterly or annual report again within four quarters of a second reporting violation, the OCCC may impose an administrative penalty of \$1,000.00 against the credit access business for each of its licensed locations.²³ The OCCC may seek revocation for any subsequent violation of the reporting requirements within four quarters of a third or subsequent reporting violation.²⁴

On November 24, 2020 the OCCC issued an Order to File Timely and Accurate Quarterly and Annual Reports against Statewide Emergency Financial for failing to file its Q3 2020 report.

Statewide Emergency Financial did not file its 2020 4th quarter and annual reports with the Commissioner on or before January 31, 2021. Additionally, Statewide Emergency Financial did not timely file one or more of its reports within the four quarters preceding the 2020 4th quarter and annual reports.

Order

IT IS ORDERED that Black Dog Financial, Inc. d/b/a Statewide Emergency Financial Solutions, Inc.:

1. pay an administrative penalty in the amount of **\$500.00**, calculated as \$500.00 for Statewide Emergency Financial's one licensed location, within 30 days of service of this Order; and
2. file its 2020 4th quarter and annual reports within 30 days of service of this Order, if it has not already done so.

Credit access business quarterly and annual reports must be submitted through the OCCC's Application Licensing Examination and Compliance System (ALECS): alecs.occ.texas.gov. Instructions are available by clicking the "File Annual Report" button on the OCCC's home page, occ.texas.gov.

²² 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 83.5001(e)(3)(B).

²³ 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 83.5001(e)(3)(C).

²⁴ 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 83.5001(e)(4).

Right to Request Hearing

You have the right to request a hearing regarding this Order.²⁵ Your request must be made in writing and sent to the OCCC not later than 30 days after you receive this Order. You must send your request to:

Audrey Spalding
Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner
2601 N. Lamar Blvd.
Austin, Texas 78705

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.²⁶ If you fail to request a hearing by this deadline, this Order is considered final and enforceable.²⁷

All communications with the OCCC concerning this matter must be through Audrey Spalding, Assistant General Counsel, who may be contacted by mail at 2601 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin, Texas 78705, by telephone at (512) 936-7659, or by email to audrey.spalding@occc.texas.gov.

Signed this 11th day of March, 2021.

/s/ Leslie L. Pettijohn
Leslie L. Pettijohn
Consumer Credit Commissioner
State of Texas

²⁵ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(b).

²⁶ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(b).

²⁷ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(c).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on March 11, 2021, a true and correct copy of this Order Imposing Administrative Penalty has been sent to Black Dog Financial, Inc. d/b/a Statewide Emergency Financial Solutions, Inc. by regular mail and certified mail, return receipt requested, at:

CMRRR # 9214 8901 9403 8300 0032 9541 72
Black Dog Financial, Inc.
Attn: Dr. Tanyanika Mattos, Compliance Officer
5900 Balcones Drive, Ste. 4133
Austin, TX 78731

CMRRR # 9214 8901 9403 8300 0032 9541 89
Black Dog Financial, Inc.
Attn: Registered Agents, Inc., Registered Agent
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/s/ Audrey Spalding _____
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