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**BEFORE THE COMMISSIONER OF SECURITIES AND INSURANCE,
OFFICE OF THE MONTANA STATE AUDITOR**

IN THE MATTER OF

DELANEY, LOGAN JAMES WILLIAM,
License No. # 3001206868,

Respondent.

Case No. INS-2026-00091

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY
ACTION AND OPPORTUNITY FOR
HEARING**

TO: LOGAN JAMES WILLIAM DELANEY
1726 ALDER DRIVE
GREAT FALLS MT 59404

The Commissioner of Securities and Insurance, Office of the Montana State Auditor (Commissioner), has cause to believe that Logan James William Delaney (Respondent) has violated the Montana Insurance Code, § 33-1-101, *et seq.*, MCA. The Commissioner has the authority to undertake this action pursuant to the Montana Insurance Code, including §§ 33-1-311, 33-1-317, 33-1-1211 and 33-17-1001 MCA.

The following is a proposed agency action. Acceptance of CSI's proposed action(s) will resolve this matter and it will be deemed a Final Agency Action based on the facts and law set out below. If Respondent chooses not to accept the penalty, an administrative hearing must be requested; that request must be in writing and received by the Commissioner **within 24 days** of the date this Notice, as described in the Statement of

Rights below. Failure to timely request a hearing can result in entry of a default order as stated in the Possibility of Default section below.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

1. Respondent is licensed as a surety bail bond producer in Montana. License # 3001206868.
2. On February 20, 2026, CSI received a complaint from another bondsmen, John Looney, reported Delaney had a criminal record and issues with paying child support.
3. Investigations Bureau Chief Ted Bidon examined the report and conducted an open-source internet search and found several news articles stating Mr. Delaney was charged with and found guilty of possessing a weapon on school property in Lincoln County, Idaho. Mr. Bidon reviewed the NAIC State Based System (SBS), the database for producer records, and did not find any record of Mr. Delaney reporting the incident to us as required by Mont. Code Ann. § 33-17-214(6). Mesmerizing
4. Mr. Bidon contacted CSI's Producer Licensing and asked them if they could find any record of Mr. Delaney reporting the incident and they could not. Mr. Bidon determined that there were enough unresolved red flags to warrant opening an investigation into application fraud as Mr. Delaney, in his licensed renewal process, is required to report criminal convictions.
5. Mr. Bidon opened an investigation on February 23, 2026, and assigned Insurance Investigator Bryan Stanley to investigate the allegations.
6. The complaint included references to news reports that Delaney had pleaded guilty to carrying a weapon onto school property while wearing a bail recovery badge.
7. When Delaney submitted his application to renew his surety bail producer license on November 10, 2025, he answered "No" to the questions asking if he had ever been convicted of a criminal offense and whether he had child support obligation in arrearage.

8. Upon closer review, in Delaney's original application, dated March 4, 2021, and subsequent renewal applications, dated July 9, 2024 and November 10, 2025, he answered No to all questions pertaining to his criminal history and child support obligations.
9. Based on the publicly available information indicating that Delaney had a criminal history, it appears that his answers to the licensing questions were false.
10. Investigator Stanley requested a criminal history report from Montana Department of Justice to determine whether Delaney had a criminal history. The report detailed an extensive criminal history, including convictions dating back to 2008, in multiple states, and an active arrest warrant issued in 2023 by a court in South Carolina.
11. Investigator Stanley contacted New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, which confirmed there is an open child support case against Delaney.
12. Licensing Specialist Sherrie Mannix from the CSI Licensing Bureau confirmed that Delaney did not disclose his child support obligations on his licensing application.
13. Investigator Stanley also called the Idaho Commissioner of Insurance. Delaney obtained a surety bond producer license in Idaho and disclosed his criminal history on the application there.
14. Delaney has a criminal conviction out of Lincoln County, Idaho not found on the criminal history report. The May 2018 conviction is for possession of a firearm on school property in violation of I.C. 18-3302D(1)(a), possessing weapons or firearms on school property. This charge was also not reported to CSI.
15. On March 31, 2026, CSI Investigators Stanley and Hoffmann conducted a voluntary, recorded interview of Delaney during which Delaney was represented by counsel. During the interview, Delany admitted that he had failed to disclose his criminal history and his unpaid child support obligations.

ASSERTIONS OF LAW

16. The Commissioner is authorized to act in protection of insurance consumers and in the public interest, and has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to § 33-1-311, MCA.
17. The Commissioner is tasked with enforcement of the Montana Insurance Code, including the Insurance Fraud Protection Act, Mont. Code Ann. § 33-1-1201, et seq., and Mont Code Ann. § 33-17-1001(1)(c).
18. Mont. Code Ann. § 33-17-1001(1)(b) states, “The commissioner may suspend, revoke, refuse to renew, or refuse to issue a license under this chapter . . . when a license or applicant for licensure has: obtained or attempted to obtain a license through misrepresentation or fraud, including but not limited to providing incorrect, misleading, incomplete, or materially untrue information in the license application or in the continuing education affidavit.” In addition, under subsection -1001(1)(m), the commissioner may suspend, revoke, refuse to renew, or refuse to issue a license if the license or applicant “failed to comply with a final administrative or court order imposing a child support obligation.”
19. In this case, Delaney misrepresented his criminal history by failing to disclose it.
20. Furthermore, Delaney failed to disclose his child support obligation in New Hampshire.

PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION

WHEREFORE, the Commissioner, in his discretion and considering, *inter alia*, the gravity, number and scope of offense(s), and the financial loss involved, and to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public, proposes to order the following:

1. Revocation of Respondent’s insurance producer license, license # 3001206868, pursuant to § 33-17-1001, MCA.

STATEMENT OF RIGHTS

Respondent is entitled to contest the Commissioner’s proposed action by requesting a hearing; this is called an administrative or “contested case” hearing. Section 2-4-102(4),

MCA. To do so, **within 24 days of the date this Notice**, Respondent must submit a **written hearing request** to CSI at 840 Helena Avenue, Helena, MT 59601 or CSI.LegalService@mt.gov. A hearing request may, but does not have to, include a response to the allegations set forth above.

If a hearing is requested, the Commissioner may appoint an impartial hearing examiner to conduct the proceedings under the provisions of the Montana Administrative Procedures Act, Mont. Code Ann. Title 2, Chapter 4, Part 6. Sections 2-4-611, 33-1-701, MCA; Admin. R. Mont. 1.3.218. Respondent will be provided notice of the time, place, and nature of the hearing; and will be entitled to participate in the contested case process and respond and present evidence and arguments on all issues involved in this action. Section 2-4-601, -612, MCA.

Respondent has the right to retain legal counsel to represent, accompany, and advise them at any and all stages of this proceeding or may also elect to represent themselves; however, a business entity may not appear on its own behalf or through an agent other than an attorney licensed to practice law. Admin. R. Mont. 1.3.231.

CONTACT WITH COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE

If there are questions or concerns, please contact CSI at 406-444-2040 or CSI.LegalService@mt.gov. If represented by an attorney, please ensure this contact is made by the attorney.

POSSIBILITY OF DEFAULT

Failure to timely provide a written hearing request shall result in the entry of a default order imposing the Commissioner's proposed action, without additional notice, pursuant to Admin. R. Mont. 1.3.214.

DATED this 24th day of April, 2026.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on April 24, 2026, I caused a copy of the foregoing, *Notice of Proposed Agency Action and Opportunity For Hearing*, to be served on the following persons by the following means:

1 Mail
 E-Mail

1. LOGAN JAMES WILLIAM DELANEY
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