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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

RONALD E. PRAZUCH AND
RP PRIVATE INVESTIGATIONS,
RESPONDENTS.

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FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ORDER 0002236

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 12 RAL 014

The parties to this action for the purpose of Wis. Stat. § 227.53 are:

Ronald E. Prazuch
4099 Mill Lake Road
Rhineland, WI 54501

RP Private Investigations
4099 Mill Lake Road
Rhineland, WI 54501

Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935

Division of Legal Services and Compliance
Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services
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Madison, WI 53708-8935

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final disposition of this matter, subject to the approval of the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department). The Department has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Department adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent Ronald E. Prazuch (dob April 3, 1946) is licensed in the State of Wisconsin as a Private Detective, having license number 63-5696, first issued on April 28, 1982,

and current through August 31, 2014. Respondent Prazuch's most recent address on file with the Department is 4099 Mill Lake Road, Rhineland, WI 54501.

2. Respondent RP Private Investigations is licensed in the State of Wisconsin as a Private Detective Agency, having license number 62-15704, first issued on August 7, 1996, and current through August 31, 2013. Respondent RP Private Investigations' most recent address on file with the Department is 4099 Mill Lake Road, Rhineland, WI 54501.

3. On or about October 10, 2012, the Division of Legal Services and Compliance received information from the Division of Professional Credentialing Processing that there were lapses in the required liability insurance coverage for Respondent RP Private Investigations. Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case Number 12 RAL 014 was subsequently opened for investigation.

4. The Department's investigation revealed that the required liability insurance coverage for Respondent RP Private Investigations was lapsed from September 20, 2008, to March 1, 2010, and March 1, 2011, until August 14, 2012.

5. In resolution of this matter, Respondents consent to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.26(6), and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

2. By the conduct described in the Findings of Fact, Respondents violated Wis. Admin. Code §§ SPS 31.034(1) and (2) and engaged in conduct reflecting adversely on their professional qualification pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code § SPS 35.01(11) by failing to maintain a surety bond or liability policy.

3. As a result of the violation noted in the Conclusions of Law, Respondents are subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.26(6)(a)2 and 4 and Wis. Admin. Code § SPS 35.01.

ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

2. Respondent Ronald E. Prazuch is REPRIMANDED.

3. Respondent RP Private Investigations is REPRIMANDED.

4. Within 90 days from the date of this Order, Respondent Prazuch shall pay COSTS of this matter in the amount of \$135.00.

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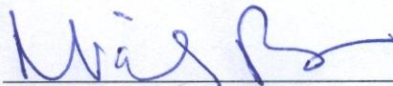
6. Payment of costs shall be made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services and sent by Respondent Prazuch to the Department Monitor at the address below:

Department Monitor
Division of Legal Services and Compliance
Department of Safety and Professional Services
P.O. Box 8935, Madison, WI 53708-8935
Telephone (608) 267-3817; Fax (608) 266-2264
DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov

7. Violation of any of the terms of this Order may be construed as conduct imperiling public health, safety and welfare and may result in a summary suspension of Respondents' licenses. The Department in its discretion may in the alternative impose additional conditions and limitations or other additional discipline for a violation of any of the terms of this Order. In the event Respondents fail to timely submit payment of the costs as ordered and as set forth above, Respondents' licenses (nos. 63-5696 and 62-15704) may, in the discretion of the Department, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondents have complied with payment of the costs.

8. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

By: 
Michael J. Berndt, Chief Legal Counsel
On Behalf of the Department

12/21/12
Date