

**MINUTES OF THE BAIL BOND BOARD OF WEBB COUNTY
MEETING OF JUNE 5, 2024
MEETING HELD AT THE 341ST DISTRICT COURT**

The Bail Bond Board of Webb County met at a regular meeting on June 5, 2024. The following members were present to-wit:

**JUDGE BECKIE PALOMO
JUDGE JESUS DOMINGUEZ
JUDGE VICTOR VILLARREAL
JUDGE OSCAR LIENDO
ESTHER DEGOLLADO
MARIO GUERRA
JESSICA LAUREL
COMMISSIONER RICARDO JAIME
PEDRO J GARZA JR.**

KASSANDRA CAVAZOS

**341ST DISTRICT JUDGE
MUNICIPAL JUDGE
COUNTY COURT AT LAW #2
JUSTICE OF PEACE JP1 PL2
DISTRICT CLERKS
CRIMINAL DEFENSE ATTORNEY
BONDSPERSON REPRESENTATIVE
WEBB COUNTY COMMISSIONER PCT. 4
REPRESENTATIVE ISIDRO R ALANIZ
DISTRICT ATTORNEY
REPRESENTATIVE MARGIE IBARRA
COUNTY CLERKS**

The following members were absent:

ALEJANDRO GUTIERREZ

RAUL REYES

**REPRESENTATIVE MARTIN CUELLAR
SHERIFF OFFICE
COUNTY TREASURER**

Also present was Albrecht Riepen General Counsel and Enedelia Romo Bail Bond Board Administrator.

1. **Call meeting to order.**

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY ADDRESS THE BAIL BOND BOARD DURING PUBLIC COMMENTS. ALL PERSONS MUST PRE-REGISTER IN WRITING BY EMAILING THE BAIL BOND BOARD ADMINISTRATOR AT eromo@webbcountytexas.gov NO LATER THAN 4:00PM ON THE BUSINESS DAY BEFORE THE MEETING. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE MINUTES FOR THOSE WHO HAVE PRE-REGISTERED. PURSUANT TO STATE OPEN MEETING LAW, THE WEBB COUNTY BAIL BOND BOARD IS RESTRICTED IN DISCUSSION OR TAKING ACTION ON ITEMS NOT POSTED ON THE AGENDA.

3. **Approval of May 2024 Bail Bond Board Meeting minutes.**

Upon motion of Mrs. Esther Degollado, Seconded by Mr. Pedro Garza, all voting in favor the minutes of May 1, 2024 were approved.

4. **Report on Outstanding Agreed Judgments/ Default Judgments, Pending Judgments Nisi, Pending Writs of Execution, and Suspended Sureties as of May 29, 2024.**

Albrecht Riepen General Counsel informed the Board that we have two Judgments one for Bianka's Bail Bonds II and Roman Cisneros Bail Bonds. On Bianka's Bail Bonds II payment have been made. No Writs of Execution pending at this time. Cristobal Cisneros still suspended. There are six Bonding Companies that have pending Judgments Nisi.

5. **Report on Outstanding Bonds regarding Bonding Companies as of May 29, 2024.**

Enedelia Romo Bail Bond Board Administrator informed the board about Bonding Company report. Upon motion by Commissioner Ricardo Jaime, Seconded by Judge Oscar Liendo all voting in favor this Report accepted as been presented.

6. **Discussion and possible action related to Webb County Bail Bond Board Rule Section 3.8 regarding a change of registered address/phone number or new/additional location for Ashley's Bail Bonds, namely closing down the satellite location at 620 Victoria St. Laredo, Texas 78040 and using 1020 Washington St. Ste. A, Laredo, Texas 78040 as an additional location. (Albrecht Riepen, Board Counsel)**

Albrecht Riepen Board Counsel informed the Board that Ashley's Bail Bonds have complied with Webb County Bail Bond Rule Section 3.8. Upon motion of Judge Oscar Liendo, Seconded by Commissioner Ricardo Jaime all voting in favor this item was approved.

7. **Discussion and possible action related to Webb County Bail Bond Board Rule Section 3.8 regarding a change of registered address/phone number or new/additional location for Jessica's Bail Bonds, namely new office location at 907 Scott St. Ste. 3, Laredo, Texas 78040. (Albrecht Riepen, Board Counsel)**

Albrecht Riepen Board Counsel informed the Board that Jessica's Bail Bonds have complied with Webb County Bail Bond Rule Section 3.8. Upon motion of Commissioner Ricardo Jaime, Seconded by Mr. Pedro Garza all voting in favor this item was approved.

8. **Discussion and possible action related to a renewal application of bonding license of Bankers Insurance Company DBA: Bianka's Bail Bonds II agent Bianka Amanda Higle. (Albrecht Riepen, Board Counsel)(Tabled from last meeting)**

Albrecht Riepen General Counsel informed the Board to approve the renewal application of Banker's Insurance Company DBA Bianka's Bail Bonds II. Upon motion of Commissioner Ricardo Jaime, Seconded by Judge Oscar Liendo, all voting in favor this item was approved.

9. **Discussion and possible action related to the creation of a Webb County Bail Bond Board Facebook page and appointing Board Members Mario Guerra and Manuel Vinals to manage it. (Albrecht Riepen, Board Counsel)**

Albrecht Riepen informed the Board that Mr. Guerra and Mr. Vinals to work on the Facebook page. Judge Victor Villarreal ask to be limited the information that will be post on the Facebook page. Upon motion of Judge Oscar Liendo, Seconded by Judge Victor Villarreal all voting in favor this item was approved.

10. Announcement regarding bond forfeiture settlement schedule. (Albrecht Riepen, Board Counsel)

Albrecht Riepen informed the Board regarding bond forfeiture settlement schedule.

11. Update on approval of revised 17.16 affidavit rules and procedures and any discussion or possible action related there to. (Albrecht Riepen, Board Counsel)

Albrecht Riepen informed the Board that he spoke with Judge Joe Lopez and he mention some corrections on the 17.16 affidavit rules and procedures. Motion by Judge Palomo to table this item for next meeting. Upon motion of Judge Beckie Palomo, Seconded by Commissioner Ricardo Jaime all voting in favor this item was tabled.

12. Hearing regarding unpaid taxes on real property pledged as collateral by Cristobal Cisneros DBA Cisneros Bail Bonds and for Licensee to show cause why taxes have not been paid or to provide proof of the payment thereof. (Albrecht Riepen, Board Counsel)(Tabled from last meeting)

Albrecht Riepen informed the Board that a notice was send to Mr. Cristobal Cisneros thru email but no answer. The Board revoke Cisneros Bail Bonds bonding license No 75. Mr. Riepen to submit an Order. Upon motion of Mr. Pedro Garza, Seconded by Mr. Mario Guerra all voting in favor this item was approved.

13. Hearing on the complaint filed by Oscar Serna against Jessica Laurel and or any discussion or possible action related thereto. (Albrecht Riepen, Board Counsel)

Albrecht Riepen informed the Board that a settlement agreement was reach between the parties. Jessica Laurel accepted the agreement to complete a six hours ethical course online within the next 30 days and also to pay a \$500.00 dollars fee by June 14, 2024. Upon motion of Mr. Pedro Garza, Seconded by Commissioner Ricardo Jaime all voting in favor this item was approved.

14. Hearing on the complaint filed by Jessica Laurel against Ashley Cantu and or any discussion or possible action related thereto. (Albrecht Riepen, Board Counsel)

Albrecht Riepen informed the Board that a settlement agreement was reach between the parties. Ashley Cantu accepted the agreement to pay a \$2,500.00 dollars fee by June 14, 2024 and also to sever business ties with Priscilla Villarreal- Trevino and not seek to have her promote Ashley Bail Bonds. Also not seek or file an application for her to be an employee. Upon motion of Commissioner Ricardo Jaime, Seconded by Mr. Pedro Garza all voting in favor this item was approved.

15. Committee Reports

Rules Committee

Albrecht Riepen mention that he will meet with Judge Joe Lopez.

Advertise Committee

Mario Guerra inform that he will meet with Mr. Vinals regarding the Facebook page.

Website Committee

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16. Miscellaneous Business.

No Action Taken.

17. Adjournment.

Upon motion of Judge Victor Villarreal, Seconded by Mrs. Esther Degollado, all voting in favor the meeting was adjourned.