

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
LICENSING AND REGULATION,

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CASE NO: SPMG 12-0053

GREGORY VELTZER  
dba SOS Loan Co. LLC,

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Respondent

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**CONSENT ORDER**

This matter comes before the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulations (“Department”) as a result of a complaint filed by the Westminster Police Department. Upon a review of the complaint, the Department has determined that administrative charges against Gregory Veltzer (the “Respondent”) dba SOS Loan Co. LLC, 68 West Main Street, Westminster, Maryland 21157 be filed and an administrative hearing should be held. In an effort to resolve this matter without a formal hearing, the Respondent and the Department have agreed to enter into this Consent Order as the final settlement of this matter.

THE PARTIES AGREE AND STIPULATE:

- 1. At all times relevant to the matters set forth this Consent Order, the Department had jurisdiction over the subject matter and the Respondent.
- 2. The Respondent holds secondhand precious metal object dealers and pawnbrokers license (License No 01-914-05) with the Department dba SOS Loan Co. LLC, 68 West Main Street, Westminster, Maryland 21157, which was initially issued on January 4, 2011.
- 3. On April 12, 2012, the Respondent conducted Transaction Nos. 22191, 22192 and 22193. These transactions were electronically reported on April 16, 2012.
- 4. On April 13, 2012, the Respondent conducted Transaction No. 22194. This transaction was electronically reported on April 16, 2012.

5. On April 14, 2012, the Respondent conducted Transaction Nos. 22195, 22196, 22197, 22198, and 22199. These transactions were electronically reported on April 16, 2012.

6. The Respondent electronically filed the transactions after being advised by a Westminster Police detective on April 15, 2012 that the police department had not received transaction reports.

7. In a letter dated January 25, 2012, the Department reminded the Respondent of his responsibilities under the Secondhand Precious Metal Object Dealers and Pawnbrokers Act to electronically report items to the Westminster Police Department. This advice was accompanied by additional training concerning electronic reporting of transaction reports conducted by an investigator of the Department.

8. The Respondent acknowledges that the Respondent and his employees knew, or should have known, of the requirement of the Secondhand Precious Metal Object Dealers and Pawnbrokers Act to electronically report items to law enforcement agencies by Noon the next business day to the Westminster Police Department

9. Based on the aforementioned facts, the Respondent acknowledges that the Respondent or the Respondent's employees have violated Business Regulation Article §12-304 (a) and (b), Annotated Code of Maryland, which provides:

**§ 12-304. Copies to primary law enforcement units**

*(a) In general.* - (1) A dealer shall submit a copy of the required information from each record to the primary law enforcement unit in accordance with subsection (b) of this section.

(b) The dealer shall submit the records by transmitting the required information from the records electronically, in a format acceptable to the receiving law enforcement unit, by Noon of the next business day.

10. Based on the aforementioned violation, the Respondent agrees to pay to the Department a civil penalty of \$ 1,500.00 upon the Respondent's execution of this Consent Order.

11. The Respondent further agrees that he shall abide by the provisions of the Maryland Secondhand Precious Metal Object Dealers and Pawnbrokers Act, § 12-101 et. seq. and COMAR 09.25.01, et. seq.

12. The Respondent, by entering into this Consent Order, expressly waives the right to have the pending allegations by the Department reduced to written charges, the right to an administrative hearing on the charges and the making of Findings of Fact and Conclusions of

Law, and any all further proceeding before the Department to which the Respondent may be entitled to in this matter, and any rights to appeal from this Order.

13. The Respondent enters into this Consent Order freely, knowingly and voluntarily.

BASED ON THESE STIPULATIONS, IT IS, THIS 17 DAY OF July, 2012, BY THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION:

**ORDERED** that the Respondent has violated Business Regulation Article §12-304 (a) and (b), Annotated Code of Maryland ;

**ORDERED** that the Respondent is, hereby, reprimanded;

**ORDERED** that the Respondent be assessed a civil penalty of \$1,500.00 for the violation, which amount is to payable to the Department upon the Respondent's execution of this Consent Order and Settlement Agreement, and it is further

**ORDERED** that the Department's records and publications reflect the violation and the civil penalty of \$1,500.00 imposed on the Respondent.

RESPONDENT'S SIGNATURE  
APPEARS ON ORIGINAL ORDER  
Gregory Veltzer

INTERIM SECRETARY'S SIGNATURE  
APPEARS ON ORIGINAL ORDER  
Scott Jensen  
Interim Secretary

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR,  
LICENSING AND REGULATION

7/10/12  
Date