

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

COMMISSIONER OF COMMERCE

In the Matter of Joseph Lewis Hazelwood,  
License Nos. DC20041372; NO20358371;  
RA20359187

**FINDINGS OF FACT,  
CONCLUSIONS OF LAW,  
AND ORDER**

**OAH Docket No. 4-1004-16590-2**

The above-entitled matter originally came on for a prehearing conference before Administrative Law Judge Bruce H. Johnson of the Office of Administrative Hearings on June 30, 2005, with Assistant Attorney General Michael J. Tostengard appearing on behalf of the Minnesota Department of Commerce. There was no appearance by or on behalf of Respondent Joseph Louis Hazelwood. The Administrative Law Judge's Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Recommendation were issued July 14, 2005. In accordance with Minn. Stat. § 45.024 (2004), Commissioner of Commerce Glenn Wilson delegated the authority to issue a final order in this matter to Deputy Commissioner of Commerce Kevin M. Murphy. By letter dated July 18, 2005, Deputy Commissioner Murphy informed the parties of their right to file exceptions and argument with the Commissioner regarding the Administrative Law Judge's Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Recommendation. The Department's argument was filed by letter dated July 21, 2005. No exceptions or arguments were filed by the Applicant and the record closed on August 8, 2005.

Based upon all the facts, records and proceedings herein, the Commissioner makes the following:

### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. The Commissioner adopts in their entirety and incorporates as his own all of the Findings of Fact contained in the Administrative Law Judge's Report.

2. Any Finding of Fact herein, which should more properly be deemed a Conclusion of Law, is hereby adopted as such.

Based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact, the Commissioner makes the following:

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

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1. The Commissioner adopts and incorporates herein by reference all of the Conclusions contained in the Administrative Law Judge's Report.

2. Any Conclusion of Law herein, which should more properly be deemed a Finding of Fact, is hereby adopted as such.

3. This Order is in the public interest.

### **ORDER**

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Respondent's real estate license No. RA20359187 and notary license No. NO20358371 are hereby REVOKED.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Respondent shall pay to the State of Minnesota a civil penalty of \$20,000. Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 16D.17(1) (2004), Respondent is notified that this shall become a final civil penalty order unless Respondent requests a hearing from the Department on the civil penalty within 30 days. Respondent is further notified that when the civil penalty order becomes final, the Commissioner of Commerce may file and enforce the civil

penalty in the same manner as a district court judgment against Respondent without further notice or additional proceedings. Minn. Stat. § 16D.17(2) (2004).

Dated: Nov. 16, 2005

GLENN WILSON  
Commissioner

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