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DEPARTMENT OF BANKING AND
SECURITIES, COMPLIANCE OFFICE

v.

Docket No. 17 0017 (BNK-CAO)

ROBERT CLINE dba CLINE'S AUTO SLAES

CONSENT AGREEMENT AND ORDER

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting through the Department of Banking and Securities ("Department"), Compliance Office ("Office"), has reviewed the business practices of Robert Cline dba Cline's Auto Sales ("Robert Cline"), and its officers, employees and directors. Based on the results of its review, the Office concludes that Robert Cline operated in violation of the Consumer Credit Code as related to motor vehicle sales finance ("CCC"), 12 Pa.C.S. § 6101 *et seq.* The parties to the above-captioned matter, in lieu of litigation, hereby stipulate that the following statements are true and correct in the settlement of the above-captioned matter and, intending to be legally bound, hereby agree to the terms of this Consent Agreement and Order ("Order").

BACKGROUND

1. The Department is the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's administrative agency authorized and empowered to administer and enforce the CCC.
2. The Office is primarily responsible for administering and enforcing the CCC for the Department.
3. Robert Cline's Principle Place of Business is located at 7862 C Rt. 30 North Huntington, PA 15642.

Unlicensed Period

4. Anyone engaging in the business of an installment seller of motor vehicles under installment sales contracts needs a license issued by the Department. 12 Pa.C.S. § 6211(a)(1).

5. Installment sellers must submit a yearly renewal license application to the Department at least fifteen (15) days prior to October 1 of each year. 12 Pa.C.S. § 6216.

6. The Department licensed Robert Cline as an installment seller, license no. 51448 through September 30, 2016.

7. Robert Cline failed to timely submit a license renewal applications by the October 1, 2016 deadline.

8. The Department canceled license no. 51448 effective on October 1, 2016. 12 Pa.C.S. § 6211(b)(2).

9. Robert Cline submitted a new installment seller application ("New Application") on or around March 6, 2017.

10. Robert Cline's new application is presently pending and no license has been issued.

11. During a review of the application, the Department discovered that Robert Cline entered into installment sale contracts from October 1, 2016 to present.

12. Robert Cline was not licensed to engage in the installment seller business when it entered into installment contracts while unlicensed from October 1, 2016 to present.

13. Because the Department canceled license no. 51448, the CCC prohibited Robert Cline from engaging in the Commonwealth as an installment seller without first obtaining new installment seller license from the Department. 12 Pa.C.S. § 6211(a)(1).

Authority of the Department

14. The CCC grants the Department the authority to issue orders as may be necessary for the enforcement of the CCC. 12 Pa.C.S. § 6203(a)(5).

15. Section 6218 of the CCC states that the Department may revoke or suspend any license where the licensee violated a provision of this chapter. 12 Pa.C.S. § 6218(a)(2).

16. Section 6274 of the CCC provides that “[a] person required to be licensed under this chapter that violates this chapter, directs a violation of this chapter or engages in an activity for which a license could be suspended or revoked under Section 6218 (relating to revocation or suspension of license) shall be subject to a civil penalty levied by the department of not more than \$2,000 for each offense.” 12 Pa.C.S. § 6274.

VIOLATION

17. Robert Cline violated Section 6211(a) of the CCC when it engaged in the business of an installment seller while unlicensed. 12 Pa.C.S. § 6211(a)(1).

RELIEF

18. Fine. Robert Cline agrees to pay a fine of five hundred dollars (\$500). Payment is due within thirty (30) days of the Effective Date of the Order as defined in paragraph 26 below. The fine payment shall be remitted by certified check or money order made payable to the “Department of Banking and Securities” and sent to the attention of: Department of Banking and Securities, Compliance Office, 17 N. 2nd Street, Suite 1300, Harrisburg, PA 17101-2290.

19. Corrective Action. Upon the Effective Date of this Order, Robert Cline shall not engage in the business of an installment seller in Pennsylvania unless it is licensed.

FURTHER PROVISIONS

20. Consent. Robert Cline hereby knowingly, willingly, voluntarily and irrevocably consents to the entry of this Order pursuant to the Bureau’s order authority under the CCC and agrees that it understands all of the terms and conditions contained herein. Robert Cline, by voluntarily entering into this Order, waives any right to a hearing or appeal concerning the terms, conditions and/or penalties set forth in this Order.

21. Consumer's Rights. This Order shall not limit or impair a consumer's rights under CCC. 12 Pa.C.S. § 6236. (69 P.S. § 635.)

22. Publication. The Department will publish this Order pursuant to its authority in Section 302.A.(5) of the Department of Banking and Securities Code, 71 P.S. § 733-302.A.(5).

23. Entire Agreement. This Order contains the whole agreement between the parties. There are no other terms, obligations, covenants, representations, statements, conditions, or otherwise, of any kind whatsoever concerning this Order. This Order may be amended in writing by mutual agreement by the Bureau and Robert Cline.

24. Binding Nature. The Department, Robert Cline, and all officers, owners, directors, employees, heirs and assigns of Robert Cline intend to be and are legally bound by the terms of this Order.

25. Counsel. This Order is entered into by the parties upon full opportunity for legal advice from legal counsel.

26. Effectiveness. Robert Cline hereby stipulates and agrees that the Order shall become effective on the date that the Office executes this Order ("Effective Date").

27. Other Enforcement Action.

a. The Department reserves all of its rights, duties, and authority to enforce all statutes, rules and regulations under its jurisdiction against Robert Cline in the future regarding all matters not resolved by this Order.

b. Robert Cline acknowledges and agrees that this Order is only binding upon the Department and not any other local, state or federal agency, department or office regarding matters within this Order.

28. Authorization. The parties below are authorized to execute this Order and legally bind their respective parties.

29. Counterparts. This Order may be executed in separate counterparts and by facsimile or electronic mail in portable document format "PDF."

30. Titles. The titles used to identify the paragraphs of this document are for the convenience of reference only and do not control the interpretation of this document.

WHEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, including the recital paragraphs, the Department of Banking and Securities, Compliance Office and Robert Cline intending to be legally bound do hereby execute this Consent Agreement and Order.

**FOR THE COMMONWEALTH OF
PENNSYLVANIA, DEPARTMENT OF
BANKING AND SECURITIES,
COMPLIANCE OFFICE**

FOR ROBERT CLINE

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(Officer Signature)

John Talalai, Administrator
Compliance Office
Department of Banking and Securities

Robert Cline _____
(Print Officer Name)

Date: 4/28/2017

Owner _____
(Title)

Date: 4/28/17

