## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PULASKI COUNTY, ARKANSAS FOURTH DIVISION

## STATE OF ARKANSAS, *ex rel*. LESLIE RUTLEDGE, ATTORNEY GENERAL

PLAINTIFF

v. CASE NO. 60CV-21-7028

## ANTONIO FLOWERS d/b/a FLOWERS AND SON LAWN EXPRESS SERVICES

DEFENDANT

## ORDER GRANTING THE STATE'S MOTION FOR RELIEF

Currently before the Court is the State's Motion for Relief against Defendant Antonio Flowers d/b/a Flowers and Son Lawn Express Services ("Flowers" or "Defendant"). Based upon the facts, evidence, and all other matters before the Court, the State's Motion is GRANTED. Accordingly, the Court makes the following findings:

- The Court finds that Defendant has harmed nine (9) consumers identified in the State's Motion for Relief.
- Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-113(a)(2), Defendants shall pay to the State a total of \$16,545 for restitution to the consumers identified in the State's Motion for Relief, which the State shall distribute as follows:
  - a. Kingdom Kidds Childcare Center is entitled to **\$1,100**;
  - b. Charles Ronald Horton is entitled to **\$625**;
  - c. Demetrick Warren is entitled to **\$600;**

- d. Warren and Lavern Collier are entitled to \$2,500;
- e. Mischa Banks is entitled to **\$740**;
- f. Flometta Berthea is entitled to \$7,300;
- g. Kendra Norman is entitled to **\$1,100**;
- h. Angela Smith is entitled to \$180; and,
- i. Louisa Domingo Bell is entitled to **\$2,400**.
- 3. Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-113(a)(3), Defendants are assessed civil penalties in the amount of \$130,000 for thirteen (13) violations of the Arkansas Deceptive Trade Practices Act, Ark. Code Ann. §§ 4-88-101, et seq. ("ADTPA") as alleged in the State's Complaint and the evidence and brief supporting the State's Motion for Relief.
- 4. Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-113(b), and for good cause shown, Defendant's business or professional licenses issued by any city, county, or state entity within the state of Arkansas are hereby suspended until Defendants have paid all the restitution, civil penalties, fees, and costs ordered by this Court.
- 5. Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-113(a), the Court finds that an injunction against Defendant's business practices is necessary in order to prevent the use or employment of any prohibited practices in violation of the ADTPA. Defendant is hereby permanently restrained and enjoined from engaging in any residential home improvement contracting business

in Arkansas without a valid Contractor's License when required by Arkansas law.

- Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-113(e), Defendant shall pay the State's fees and costs including \$340 for filing fees and for service of process.
- 7. Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 16-66-221, Defendant shall file a schedule of property, verified by affidavit, within forty-five (45) days of the entry of this judgment detailing all property, both real and personal, including monies, bank accounts, rights, credits, and choses in action held, and specify the particular property Defendant claims as exempt. Failure to file a schedule of property shall constitute grounds for contempt.
- 8. Payments for all sums ordered herein shall be delivered to the Attorney General's office within 60 days after the entry of this Order. All payments shall be made by check, money order, or cashier's check made payable to "The State of Arkansas." The check or money order shall indicate the case number of this action, "60CV-21-7028," and shall be delivered to:

Office of the Attorney General, Attn: Chief Fiscal Officer 323 Center Street, Suite 200 Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

For the above-stated reasons, and for those reasons included in the State's Motion for Relief and Incorporated Brief in Support, Plaintiff's Motion for Relief is hereby GRANTED.

IT IS SO ORDERED, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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Hon. Herbert Wright CIRCUIT JUDGE

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So Ordered

Her jb/

Honorable Herbert T Wright

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