

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION
JOHN O. PASTORE CENTER, BLDG. 68-1
1511 PONTIAC AVENUE
CRANSTON, RHODE ISLAND 02920**

IN THE MATTER OF:	:	
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DENNIS TURCHETTA,	:	DBR No: 13SC087
DT ENTERPRISES, LLC	:	
	:	
RESPONDENT	:	

CONSENT ORDER

It is hereby agreed by and between the Rhode Island Department of Business Regulation (“Department”) and Dennis Turchetta (“Respondent”) as follows:

1. Respondent owned and operated DT Enterprises, LLC, which was a fund raising and tele-marketing company located at 1567 Plainfield Pike, Johnston, Rhode Island (the “Premises”).
2. On July 22, 2013, the Department received information from the Little Kids Rock, Inc. (“LKR”), a national charitable organization registered as a charity with the Department, that it was in receipt of an email from a Rhode Island resident indicating that she had been contacted by a group identifying itself as Little Kids Rock Rhode Island (“LKR RI”) soliciting contributions.
3. LKR advised the Department that LKR RI is not an approved chapter of their National Organization and is not authorized to solicit contributions on their behalf in Rhode Island, or in any other jurisdiction.

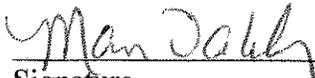
4. On July 23, 2013 the Rhode Island State Police contacted the Department indicating that they had received complaints from local businesses that were solicited for donations for “Little Kids Rock Rhode Island dba Stop Texts Stop Wrecks” and they were questioning if they were legitimate.
5. On August 7, 2013, examiners with the Department conducted a for-cause examination and discovered numerous Bank of America checkbooks, deposit slips, and statements registered to Little Kids Rock Rhode Island dba Stop Texts Stop Wrecks at the Premises.
6. Also found at the Premises was a “Subcontractor’s Agreement” between the Respondent and Ronald Rotatori and Louis Thacker.
7. The Subcontractor’s Agreement described Respondent as a “designer[] and creator[] of fundraising programs, who [is] located at 1567 Plainfield Pike, Johnston, Rhode Island” and as the “Director of Little Kids Rock RI.”
8. The Subcontractor’s Agreement further provides that the Respondent “owns the following programs:”
 - A. Stop Text Stop Wrecks
 - B. Rhode Island Kids Rock
 - C. Little Kids Rock Rhode Island
 - D. Partnership to End Child Abuse
9. The Supplemental Narrative for Corporal Kenneth S Buonaiuto provides that the Corporal visited the website of stoptextstopwsrecksconn.org, which identified DT Enterprises LLC as the creator of the website.

10. Neither the Respondent, Ronald Rotatori, Louis Thacker, or any of the entities described in paragraph 8 herein were ever registered with the Department pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 5-53.1-1 *et seq.*
11. R.I. Gen. Laws § 5-53.1-7(2) makes it unlawful to “engage in any fraudulent or illegal act, device, scheme, artifice to defraud or for obtaining money or property by means of false pretenses, representation or promise, transaction or enterprise in connection with any solicitation for charitable purposes, any solicitation or collection of funds or other property for a charitable organization, or with the registration, reporting and disclosure provisions of this chapter.”
12. R.I. Gen. Laws § 5-53.1-7(4) makes it unlawful to “knowingly or with reason to know, enter into any contract or agreement with or employ any unregistered professional fund raiser, fund raising counsel or professional solicitor.”
13. R.I. Gen. Laws § 5-53.1-7(5) makes it unlawful to “enter into any contract or agreement with or raise any funds for any charitable organization required to be registered pursuant to this chapter knowing or with reason to know that the charitable organization is not duly registered.”
14. R.I. Gen. Laws § 5-53.1-7(8) makes it unlawful to “solicit contributions for charitable purposes without either: (i) Being a registered charitable organization, if required to be registered; (ii) Having a written contract or agreement with a charitable organization or registered charitable organization if required to be registered, authorizing solicitation on its behalf; (iii) Being bona fide employees or volunteers of a charitable organization.”

15. R.I. Gen. Laws § 5-53.1-7(9) makes it unlawful to “act as or enter into any contract as a professional fund raiser, fund raising counsel, or professional solicitor without having registered.
16. R.I. Gen. Laws § 5-53.1-7(11) makes it unlawful to “knowingly and intentionally use in the course of soliciting contributions for or on behalf of a charitable organization a name, symbol, or service mark so closely related or similar to that used by another established charitable organization that the use would tend to confuse or mislead the public.”
17. Respondent violated R.I. Gen. Laws § 5-53.1-7(2), (4), (5), (8), (9), and (11).
18. The Respondent and any future entity formed, owned or operated by the Respondent shall permanently cease and desist from any form of professional fundraising or solicitation of charitable contributions requiring registration with the Department.
19. The Respondent and any future entity formed, owned or operated by the Respondent shall be permanently barred from registration with the Department under R.I. Gen. Laws § 5-53.1-1 *et seq.*
20. By entering into this Agreement, the Department agrees not to take any further administrative action regarding the specific allegations against the Respondent stated herein.
21. The Respondent permanently waives any right to a hearing and appeal under R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-1 *et seq.*
22. If Respondent fails to abide by any of the requirements of this Consent Order, the Department may initiate further administrative proceedings.

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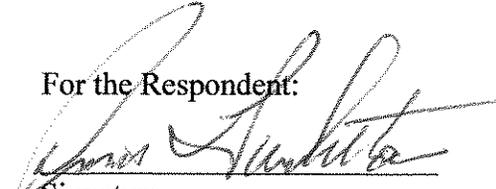
For the Division:



Signature
Date: 11/13/15

Maria D'Alessandro, Esq.
Deputy Director, Securities, Commercial
Licensing and Racing and Athletics

For the Respondent:



Signature
Date: 11-9-15

Dennis Turchetta

RECOMMENDED BY:



Date: 11/13/15

Ellen Balasco, Esq.
Hearing Officer

ORDER

I have read the Consent Order as agreed to by and between the parties in the above captioned matter and I hereby take the following action:

Approve

Reject

Dated: 11/16/15



Macky McCleary
Director

ENTERED as Administrative Order No. 1557 on the 16th day of November, 2015.