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Honorable John Cornyn Texas Attorney General P.O. Box 12548 Austin, TX 78711-2548

Re: Request for Attorney General Opinion Interpretation of Sec. 1704.302 of the Occupations Code FILE#<u>MC-42416.0</u>2 I.D.#<u>42416</u>

Dear General Cornyn:

I am requesting an opinion addressing the following situation: A man is convicted of a felony while employed in the bail bond business for a lengthy period of time. He was employed in the business at the time changes in the law took effect on September 1, 2001. Furthermore, he was employed when the business was purchased by a relative after the death of his father (September 27, 2001) who owned the business.

Does Sec. 1704.302 apply to an employee who was legal prior to September 1, 2001 and because of circumstances becomes the employee of a new license holder even though he has not changed jobs?

Your attention to this request is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Juan J. Hinojosa

Chairman, Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence