COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Bureau of Charitable Organizations,

v.

West Bradford Youth Athletics,
Respondent

Docket No. 0014-98-09
File No. 07-98-11999

CONSENT AGREEMENT AND ORDER

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Bureau of Charitable Organizations ("Bureau") and West Bradford Youth Athletics ("Respondent") stipulate as follows in settlement of the above-captioned case.

JURISDICTION

1. This matter is before the Secretary of the Commonwealth ("Secretary") pursuant to the Solicitation of Funds for Charitable Purposes Act, Act of December 19, 1990, P.L. 1200, No. 202, as amended ("Act"), 10 P.S. §§162.1-162.24.

2. Respondent is currently registered to solicit contributions in Pennsylvania, registration #32999.

STIPULATED FACTS

3. Respondent admits that the following allegations are true:

a. Respondent's last known address is P.O. Box 98, Downingtown, Pennsylvania 19335.
b. Respondent conducts business as a charitable organization as
defined by the Act.

c. On June 27, 2006, the Bureau received information that
Respondent was soliciting contributions in Pennsylvania.

d. On July 26, 2006, after it was confirmed that Respondent was not
registered to solicit contributions in Pennsylvania, a registration packet and a
letter seeking information were mailed to Respondent, with directions to respond
within thirty days, or a Cease and Desist Order would be entered.

e. Respondent failed to register with the Bureau or reply to the July
26, 2006 letter.

f. The Secretary of the Commonwealth issued a Cease and Desist
Order on September 25, 2006, directing that Respondent cease and desist
soliciting contributions until such time as the Respondent becomes duly registered
and pays all outstanding registration and late fees.

g. Respondent solicited charitable contributions while subject to the
Cease and Desist Order of September 25, 2006.

h. On July 2, 2008, Respondent registered for its fiscal year ending
October 31, 2006.

i. The Cease and Desist Order issued on September 25, 2006, was
lifted on July 7, 2008.

j. Respondent’s registration for fiscal year 2007 was due on March
14, 2008, however due to Respondent’s failure to address the September 25, 2006
Cease and Desist Order, Respondent could not register at that time.
k. On July 7, 2008, the Bureau granted a final extension to Respondent until September 10, 2008 to complete its fiscal year 2007 registration.


m. Respondent’s registration for fiscal year 2007 was approved on February 18, 2009.

n. Respondent is currently under a final extension for fiscal year 2008 registration until September 11, 2009.

VIOLATIONS

4. Respondent agrees that by engaging in the foregoing activities, Respondent has committed multiple violations of the Act by:

a. Soliciting charitable contributions without being registered with the Bureau and/or after its registration with the Bureau had expired for fiscal year 2006 and fiscal year 2007, in violation of 10 P.S. § 162.15(a)(1) by and through § 162.5(a); and

b. Soliciting charitable contributions while under a Cease and Desist Order from September 25, 2006 through July 7, 2008, in violation of 10 P.S. § 162.15(a)(1), by and through § 162.17(a)(1).

PROPOSED ORDER

5. The participants, intending to be legally bound, consent to the issuance of the following Order in settlement of this matter:

a. Respondent twice violated the Act at 10 P.S. § 162.15(a)(1) by and through § 162.5(a); and
b. Respondent violated the Act at 10 P.S. § 162.15(a)(1), by and through § 162.17(a)(1).

**ADMINISTRATIVE FINE**

c. An **ADMINISTRATIVE FINE** of two thousand dollars ($2,000.00) is levied upon Respondent. Respondent shall tender the full sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000.00) with this executed Consent Agreement which shall be paid by **certified check, cashier's check, attorney's check or U.S. Postal money order made payable to the “Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.”**

**FILING OF REGISTRATION DOCUMENTS**

d. Respondent acknowledges its requirement to maintain registration with the Bureau according to Section 162.5 of the Act. Should Respondent not register with the Bureau when it is required to, Respondent shall pay an administrative fine of $1,000.00, and an additional penalty of $100.00 for each day during which such violation continues; and Respondents registration shall be automatically suspended until the fine is paid or until the normal expiration date of the registration in accordance with Section 162.17 of the Act. No registration shall be renewed until the fine is paid.

**CASE SETTLED AND DISCONTINUED**

6. This case shall be deemed settled and discontinued upon the Secretary issuing an Order adopting this Consent Agreement and the Respondent's successful completion of any ordered discipline.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF NOTICE AND WAIVER OF HEARING**

7. Respondent waives the filing of an Order to Show Cause in this matter. Respondent knowingly and voluntarily waives the right to an administrative hearing in this
matter, and to the following rights related to that hearing: to be represented by counsel at the hearing; to present witnesses and testimony in defense or in mitigation of any sanction that may be imposed for a violation; to cross-examine witnesses and to challenge evidence presented by the Bureau; to present legal arguments by means of a brief; and to take an appeal from any final adverse decision.

AGREEMENT NOT BINDING ON OTHER PARTIES

8. This Consent Agreement is between the Bureau and Respondent only. It does not bind any other administrative entity of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, including any other bureau within the Department of State. Except as otherwise noted, this Agreement is to have no legal effect if (a) the Office of General Counsel expresses an objection to the Agreement’s form or legality and/or (b) unless and until the Secretary issues the stipulated Order.

EFFECT OF SECRETARY’S REJECTION

9. Should the Secretary not approve this Consent Agreement, presentation to and consideration of this Consent Agreement and other documents and matters by the Secretary shall not prejudice the Secretary from further participation in the adjudication of this matter. This paragraph is binding on the participants even if the Secretary does not approve this Consent Agreement.

ENTIRE AGREEMENT

10. This Agreement contains the whole agreement between the parties; provided, however, that the captions printed in the various provisions of this agreement are for ease of reading only and are not to be interpreted as forming any part of this agreement. There are no other terms, obligations, covenants, representations, statements or conditions, or otherwise, of any kind whatsoever, concerning this Agreement.
AGREEMENT DOES NOT PREVENT REFERRAL TO OTHER AGENCIES

11. The parties acknowledge that other federal, state, and/or local agencies may have jurisdiction over the activities of, or representations made by, Respondent. Nothing in this Consent Agreement or the Order based upon this Consent Agreement shall preclude representatives of the Bureau from referring any information or data produced as a result of this matter to any federal, state, or local agency or governmental unit having jurisdiction over the activities of Respondent.

VERIFICATION OF FACTS AND STATEMENTS

12. Respondent verifies that the facts and statements set forth in this Agreement are true and correct to the best of Respondent's knowledge, information and belief. Respondent understands that statements in this Agreement are made subject to the criminal penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. § 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

[Signatures]

Dean F. Picarella
Prosecuting Attorney
Department of State

West Bradford Youth Athletics
Respondent

DATED: 07/07/2009

DATED: July 2, 2009
IN THE MATTER OF
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ORDER

AND NOW, to wit, on this 10th day of July 2009, the terms of paragraph 5 of the foregoing Consent Agreement are hereby adopted and incorporated as the Order of the Secretary of the Commonwealth in resolution of this matter. This Order shall take effect immediately.

BY ORDER

Pedro A. Cortés
Secretary of the Commonwealth