

Ohio Revised Code Section 4707.27 Filing notice of application.

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A person who applies to a court of common pleas for an order directing payment from the auction recovery fund under section 4707.261 of the Revised Code shall file notice of the application with the director of agriculture. The director may defend any such action on behalf of the fund and shall have recourse to all appropriate means of defense and review, including examination of witnesses, verification of actual and direct losses, and challenges to the underlying judgment obtained from a court of competent jurisdiction to determine whether the underlying judgment is based on activity that only a person holding a valid license issued under this chapter is authorized to perform. The director may move the court of common pleas at any time to dismiss the application when it appears that there are no triable issues and the application is without merit, provided that the director shall give written notice to the applicant not fewer than ten days before the motion is made. The motion may be supported by affidavit of any person having knowledge of the facts and may be made on the basis that the application, including the underlying judgment referred to in it, does not form the basis for a meritorious recovery claim. Subject to court approval, the director may compromise a claim based on the application of the aggrieved party. The director shall not be bound by any prior compromise or stipulation of the licensee who is the judgment debtor.