

**AUTOMOTIVE GLASS WORK AND FLAT GLASS WORK
EXAMINING BOARD**

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OCTOBER 25, 2013

The Connecticut Automotive Glass Work and Flat Glass Work Examining Board held a regular meeting on October 25, 2013 commencing at 9:32 AM in Room 117 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106.

Board Members present: Edward J. Fusco (*Unlimited Journey person- Flat Glass Work*)
Jennifer Russell-Vanasse (*Unlimited Contractor-Flat Glass Work*)
Carl Von Dassel (*Unlimited Contractor- Flat Glass Work*)
John A. Wisniewski (*General Contractor- Auto Glass Work*)

Board Members not present: Brian Blank (*Public Member*)
David A. Wills (*Public Member*)
Frank Pitrone (*Unlimited Contractor-Automotive Glass Work*)

Board Vacancies: One. (*Public Member*)

Board Counsel: Not present, as requested.

DCP Staff Present: Robert M. Kuzmich, *Department of Consumer Protection*
Richard M. Hurlburt, *Department of Consumer Protection*

Others Present: Ken Duff, Connecticut Department of Labor
Jeff Tavella
David Rosenberg, JN Phillips Auto Glass
Peter Reed
Joshua Levine, Arrow Auto Glass

Larry Satchell, Connecticut Department of Labor
Krystn Ledoux, *Connecticut Glass Dealers
Association*
Sean P. Walsh
Mark Komaromi, Glaziers Local 1274

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1. 9:30 A.M. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN.

2. REVIEW OF DRAFT OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: JULY 26, 2013.

After a thorough review, the Board voted, unanimously, to approve the minutes as submitted. (Wisniewski/Von Dassel)

3. COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

No one scheduled before the Board today. In addition, there were no additional requests from anyone present at today's meeting.

4. OLD BUSINESS:

There were no items discussed

5. REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE:

A. E-Mail from Mr. Douglas J. Demers dated September 26, 2013 concerning the reinstatement of his Flat Glass Journey person's license which lapsed August 31, 2003; for discussion by the Board. Mr. Kuzmich explained to the Board that he

spoke with the Applicant and verified with him that he has the option of sitting for the examination again in lieu of reinstating the license by payment of the past due license fees and proof that he maintained credentials in the trade. Mr. Demers stated that he would get back to the Department on his decision. The Board gave the Department their approval to allow Mr. Demer's to sit for the examination upon receipt by the Department of his work related credentials and payment of back fees.

B. Media Release from Krystn H. Ledoux with the TCORS Capitol Group LLC concerning the "Steering Law"; for the Boards information. The Board acknowledged this information and thanked the Department for the same.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Application of Mr. Joshua M. Levine for an Automotive Glass Contractor's license (AG-1); for review and discussion by the Board. Mr. Levine is scheduled to appear before the Board today. Mr. Levine noted to the Board that he would like to change his license type from an AG-1 Contractor to an AG-2 Journeyman's license because he realized that he made an error in his application. Connecticut law requires an applicant to first hold a Journeyman's license for two years prior to sitting for the Contractors' license examination.. Mr. Levine stated that Mr. Todd Tomazak is the AG-1 license holder of record for the company he works for. His company is in Danbury, Connecticut. After more brief discussion, the Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Levine for the AG-2 Journeyman's Examination. (Von Dassel/Wisniewski) Mr. Kuzmich explained the examination enrollment procedure to Mr. Levine for his benefit.

B. Application of Mr. Peter T. Reed for a Automotive Glass Contractor's license (AG-1); for review and discussion by the Board. Mr. Reed is scheduled to appear before the Board today. Mr. Reed is not a Connecticut resident and wants to open an automotive glass business in Connecticut. Mr. Fusco and Ms. Vanasse explained the limits of the license types relative to Mr. Reed's employment goals in Connecticut. Ms. Vanasse clarified to Mr. Reed that there must be a need for the Contractor license in order for one to be issued. In addition, Mr. Duff explained that a business owner does not necessarily have to hold a Contractor license but must have a contractor license holder in his employ.

Mr. Hulburt explained to Mr. Reed that he must first pass the examination and hold an AG-2 Journeyman's license for two years. The two year period can be waived by the Board if the applicant then presents the Board with a legitimate hardship and the need to get the Contractor license type sooner. Mr. Hurlburt also noted that if a Contractor license holder fails to offer his services to the public

within sixty days, then the license shall surrender the Contractor license back to the Department and a Journeyperson's license will be issued to him. After more extensive discussion, Mr. Reed changed his license type application to an AG-2 Journeyperson. The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Reed for the AG-2 Journeyperson's Examination. (Russell-Vanasse/Wisniewski) Mr. Kuzmich explained the examination enrollment procedure to Mr. Reed for his benefit.

C. Application of Mr. Jeffrey M. Tavella for a Flat Glass Journeyperson's license (FG-2); for review and discussion by the Board. Mr. Tavella is scheduled to appear before the Board today. Mr. Fusco explained to the Board that the applicant is a Glazier working for the Norwalk Glass Company and has completed the Glazier Apprenticeship Program. Mr. Tavella graduated from the program in 2001 and his records were lost in 2009 due to a flood. Mr. Fusco stated that he would allow Mr. Tavella provided that official documentation could be provided showing his completion of the Apprenticeship Program. Mr. Satchell from the Department of Labor investigated at the meeting and verified to the Board that the applicant has completed the Apprenticeship Program. As such the Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Tavella for the FG-2 Journeyperson's Examination. (Von Dassel/Wisniewski) Mr. Kuzmich explained the examination enrollment procedure to Mr. Tavella for his benefit.

D. Application of Mr. Aaron R. Vadeboncouer for a Flat Glass Journeyperson's license (FG-2); for review and discussion by the Board. Mr. Vadeboncouer is scheduled to appear before the Board today. Mr. Fusco noted that the applicant graduated from his Union Local 1333 and has been working in Rhode Island and is applying for the FG-2 license type examination. His application contains the required documentation verifying his training. The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Vadeboncouer for the AG-2 Journeyperson's Examination. (Von Dassel/Russell-Vanasse)

E. Application of Mr. Sean P. Walsh for a Flat Glass Journeyperson's license (FG-2); for review and discussion by the Board. Mr. Walsh is scheduled to appear before the Board today. Mr. Walsh explained that he has never completed an apprenticeship because he works for his father and is apart-owner of their company the last ten years and because he is an owner, was not allowed to participate in an apprenticeship program. Mr. Duff verified this statement as fact.

Ms. Vanasse was concerned that because of Mr. Walsh's ownership in a business, he should sit for the FG-1 Contractor Examination and not the FG-2 Journeyperson Examination and cited history in previous case she was familiar with that the Department handled. Mr. Fusco inquired about Mr. Walsh's related classroom instruction and the issue of the applicant not being allowed to get the same through an apprenticeship program. Mr. Duff noted that since Mr. Walsh is a

graduate from a State Technical High School, he most likely only needs to take the Association's trade specific courses and could probably complete the same quickly since they can be done by correspondence and on-line. Ms. Ledoux from the Connecticut Glass Dealers Association confirmed this information as being accurate.

After more detailed discussion, it was determined that Mr. Walsh will be approved to sit for the FG-2 Journeyperson's Examination after completing the Connecticut Glass Dealers' Association Certification Program, short version, online program without the need to test after every module. The application was given back to Mr. Walsh and will be submitted back to Mr. Kuzmich directly with documentation showing completion of all the required modules. The Department was given approval to verify the documentation and approve the applicant for the examination without having him come to come before the Board again.

The following applications were not listed on the Board's Agenda for today's Meeting because they were received subsequent to the Agenda being mailed to the Board. The Board voted to add these Applications to today's Meeting Agenda. The applicants work for Mr. Wisniewski and he gave the Board a brief background of their work history with his company and their need for the Journeyperson's License.

F. Application of Mr. Joshua D. Dutra for an Automotive Glass Journeyperson's license (AG-2); for review and discussion by the Board. After a thorough review of the application, the Board voted to approve Mr. Dutra for the AG-2 Journeyperson's Examination. (Russell-Vanasse/Blank) It was noted that Mr. Wisniewski abstained from the vote.

G. Application of Mr. Marcus F. Guerreo for an Automotive Glass Journeyperson's license (AG-2); for review and discussion by the Board. After a thorough review of the application, the Board voted to approve Mr. Dutra for the AG-2 Journeyperson's Examination. (Russell-Vanasse/Blank) It was noted that Mr. Wisniewski abstained from the vote.

7. OTHER BUSINESS:

(A) Ms. Vanasse noted that the PSI Bulletin shows that the study material for the Flat Glass License types has changed as of July 1, 2013. PSI added the State of Connecticut Building Code IBC 2003 Chapter 24 but left the now obsolete Model Building Code from the National Glass Association from 2003 and contradicts Chapter 24. Mr. Hurlburt was confirmed to Ms. Vanasse that examination

questions were not changed and further, to do so, requires Board review and approval. Ms. Vanasse and Mr. Hurlburt will meet subsequent to today's Meeting to further discuss this matter.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:50 AM. (Russell-Vanasse/Wisniewski)

NEXT MEETING DATE; JANUARY 24, 2014

**STATE OFFICE BUILDING
165 CAPITOL AVENUE
HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT**

TIME: 9:30 AM ROOM NO.: 117

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert M. Kuzmich, R.A.
License and Applications Specialist