# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## ARCHITECTURAL LICENSING BOARD

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#### -MINUTES-

#### **NOVEMBER 22, 2013**

The six hundred and eighty second meeting of the Architectural Licensing Board, held on November 22, 2013, was called to order by Chairman Mr. S. Edward Jeter at 9:07 AM in Room No. 117 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

**Board Members** 

**Present:** David H. Barkin Board Member

Carole W. Briggs Board Member Robert B. Hurd Board Member S. Edward Jeter Chairman

Pauline S. Morales Board Member

**Board Members** 

**Not Present:** None.

Vacancies: None.

Others Present: Robert M. Kuzmich Department of Consumer

Protection (DCP)

Steven J. Schwane Department of Consumer

Protection

Peter R. Huntsman Attorney General's Office

Diane Harp Jones AIA/CT Bruce Spiewak AIA/CT

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#### 1. Old Business

1A. Submission of the minutes of the September 27, 2013 Architectural Licensing Board Meeting; for review and approval. Mr. Jeter noted the following corrections to the minutes; on page three (3), under Agenda Item 2(A), the sentence shall read "Ms. Hillegas noted that NCARB's Board of Directors has voted to approve these changes." Further, under Agenda Item 2(B), second paragraph, the sentence shall read "It was noted that this impacts only the newly licensed architects." As such, the Board voted, unanimously, to approve the minutes as corrected herein. (Briggs/Barkin)

1B. Continuation of discussion concerning Letter dated January 3, 2013 from Anthony L. D'Andrea, Chairman, Board of Examiners for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors; for discussion by the Board. Mr. Schwane addressed the Board and noted he was contacted by the Departments' Legal Staff Department Head, Ms. Elisa Nahas and participated in a meeting with her and Mr. Richard Maloney, the Director of the Trade Practices Division. Subsequent to this meeting, Mr. Schwane contacted Mr. Peter Huntsman, the Board Council from the Office of the Attorney General to review the general issues of the this matter and to clarify their role in this case. Mr. Schwane was instructed to then contact Mr. Anthony D'Andrea, Chairman of the Engineer's Board. He placed a call and is waiting for a return call to discuss this matter with him. Mr. Schwane will then contact Mr. Jeter to further evaluate this case. Mr. Schwane will keep Mr. Jeter informed of any necessary developments along the way.

#### 2. New Business

2A. Unbound NCARB Council Record from Mr. Thomas William Danis for review by the Board for consideration to sit for the Architect Registration Examination. Mr. Kuzmich explained to the Board the history of this application prior to it appearing on their Agenda today. Mr. Hurd volunteered to review and evaluate this application on behalf of the Board and will report back to them at their next Regular Meeting scheduled for January 17, 2014.

2B. The following candidate has passed the *Architect Registration Examination* and is recommended by the Department of Consumer Protection for licensing as an Architect in the State of Connecticut; the Board voted, unanimously, to approve the following

### individual for licensing as architects in Connecticut. (Briggs/Jeter)

#### 1. Patrick D. Malloy

<u>2C. Applications for licensing by waiver of examination</u>; the following individuals are recommended by the Department of Consumer Protection for licensing as architects in the State of Connecticut on the basis of waiver of examination with an NCARB Certificate Record or by Direct Endorsement; *the Board voted, unanimously, to approve the following individuals for licensing as architects in the State of Connecticut.* (Briggs/Jeter)

1	Albertin, Marc J.	Waiver of Examination; California	(NCARB File No. 67265)
2	Buffardi, III, Joseph	Waiver of Examination; New York	Direct
3	Carlos, Don	Waiver of Examination; Florida	(NCARB File No. 55462)
4	Cohan, Mitchell Blake	Waiver of Examination; Nevada	Direct
5	Eisenbeisz, John	Waiver of Examination; California	Direct
6	Elias, Daniel F.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 32394)
7	Gleysteen, Marcus	Waiver of Examination; Massachusetts	(NCARB File No. 76297)
8	Gordon, Neil	Waiver of Examination; South Carolina	(NCARB File No. 29826)
9	Graves, Jonathan W.	Waiver of Examination;	(NCARB File No. 92542)
10	Hailey, James A.	Waiver of Examination; Missouri	(NCARB File No. 114399
11	Kilkelly, Michael	Waiver of Examination; Massachusetts	(NCARB File No. 70004)
12	Kleffner, Michael J.	Waiver of Examination; New Mexico	(NCARB File No. 105773)
13	Lamont, Matthew C.	Waiver of Examination; Washington	(NCARB File No. 58105)
14	Lee, Edwin A.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 112475)
15	Lovas, Nancy	Waiver of Examination;	Direct
16	Marin, Sergio	Waiver of Examination; New York	Direct
17	Mascheri, Jr., Michael A.	Waiver of Examination; Georgia	(NCARB File No. 52592)
18	Metcalf, Julia	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 98010)
19	Michalak, Mark T.	Waiver of Examination; Massachusetts	(NCARB File No. 75850)
20	Mullin, Daniel K.	Waiver of Examination; California	Direct
21	Neal, David D.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 637122)
22	Nelson, Richard W.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 59147)
23	Penney, Jonathan J.	Waiver of Examination; Virginia	(NCARB File No. 83319)
24	Reitzel, Charles M.	Waiver of Examination; Texas	(NCARB File No. 108366)
25	Slator, Brian Robert	Waiver of Examination; Washington	(NCARB File No. 117399)
26	Styer, Eric	Waiver of Examination; Illinois	(NCARB File No. 101358)
27	Tanzmann, Virginia W.	Waiver of Examination; Arizona	(NCARB File No. 42655)
28	Teas, Thomas S.	Waiver of Examination; Maine	(NCARB File No. 18907)
29	Trexsler, Joel Patrick	Waiver of Examination; Florida	(NCARB File No. 64135)
30	Wilbourne, David B.	Waiver of Examination; New York	Direct

<u>2D. Application for the Corporate Practice of Architecture</u>; the Department has reviewed and recommends for approval the following application; *the Board voted, unanimously, to approve the following applications for the Corporate Practice of Architecture in Connecticut.* (*Briggs/Barkin*)

Castles Design Group, P.C. 3801 Kirby Drive, Suite 600 Houston, Texas 77098 Larry L. Christian, CEO Connecticut Lic. No. 12167

DC Arch, Inc. 601 East Pratt Street, Suite 300 Baltimore, Maryland 21202 Richard A. Marietta, CEO Connecticut Lic. No. 12630

Merrell Architects, Inc.
969 West Main Street
Waterbury, Connecticut 06708

Peter P. Burgyn, Jr., CEO Connecticut Lic. No. 4151

<u>2E. Complaint Report from the Trade Practices Division concerning Complaints</u> <u>associated with the Architectural Licensing Board</u>; for the Board's review. Ms. Briggs noted that the report's format appears to be what the Board has been asking for. The information contained herein addresses the Board's concerns. Further, the Board wants to confirm that this report accurately represents all outstanding cases pending before the licensing Board's investigative staff. Mr. Kuzmich will relay this information to the Department.

2F. Update from the Department's Legal Staff regarding any Board issues or otherwise.

1. Regarding the proposed Regulation change pertaining to Electronic Seals, Mr. Schwane informed the Board that on November 15, 2013, the Regulation changes were sent to the Governor's Office for their review as a part of their approval process. It was noted that both the Engineer's Board and the Landscape Architects have had similar regulation changes approved in the recent past.

As an aside, Mr. Schwane noted that the Governor issued an Executive Order for all Department's to review their existing Regulations to ensure that they are clear, comprehensive, business friendly, and promote commerce in the State. Mr. Schwane detailed the position of the Governor's Office regarding any proposed changes to Regulations and the impact of these changes on the State's business climate.

The Board discussed, in general terms, their concern that this Board's Regulation changes are consistent and as up-to-date as their counterparts in the Department and the need to streamline the process to make the changes more expedient.

<u>2G. The Department has set the following dates for the Architectural Licensing Board for the Calendar Year 2014</u>: the Board reviewed the dates and found no conflicts with any of their schedules. As such, the Board voted unanimously to approve these meeting dates as listed herein for the 2014 calendar year. (Jeter/Briggs)

1. January 17, 2014

4. July 18, 2014

2. March 21, 2014

5. September 19, 2014

3. May 16, 2014

6. November 21, 2014

<u>Location</u>: State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue

Room No. 117, Hartford, CT 06106

Time 9:00 AM

2H. Any correspondence and/or business received in the interim.

1. Ms. Harp Jones asked the Board consider opening conversation at their next meeting agenda regarding allowing Examination Candidates to begin the examination process prior to completing NCARB's Intern Development Program requirements

Ms. Jones noted that one of their member firms, Centerbrook Architects, has a very successful history with their Interns following this process. This firm encourages their Intern- employees to get licensed in another jurisdiction so that they can be allowed to test immediately after graduation and then apply for Connecticut licensing by reciprocity.

At the request of the Board, Ms. Jones will invite a representative from Centerbrook Architects to address the Board on this topic at their next meeting. She also noted that AIA/CT endorses this path to licensure while in recognition of the fact that they offer very comprehensive review courses for examination candidates.

Mr. Hurd and other Board member requested that Mr. Kuzmich request data from the NCARB and surrounding States that participate in this process. Specifically, he wonders what the time frame is for these candidates from date of graduation to passing the Architectural Registration Examination.

2. The Board congratulated Mr. Barkin and wished him well with his new position with the State of Connecticut as Chief Architect for the Department of Administrative Services, Division of Construction Services.

The meeting adjourned at 9:39 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Architectural Licensing Board is scheduled for <u>Friday</u>, <u>January 17, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.</u>; <u>State Office Building</u>; <u>Room 117</u>; 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert M. Kuzmich, R.A. Board Administrator

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