

GEORGIA STATE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY LICENSING BOARD DIVISION
OF MASTER AND JOURNEYMAN PLUMBERS CONTRACTORS

Board Meeting: March 5, 2014

The Georgia State Construction Industry Licensing Board Division of Master and Journeyman Plumbers met on Wednesday, March 5, 2014, at the Professional Licensing Boards, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

H. Grady Smith, III, Chairman
Shane Strickland, Vice Chairman
Lance McCravy
Paul Maushardt
Jay Cunningham

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Michael Miller, Consumer Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Adrienne Price, Executive Director
Tonya Richardson, Board Support Specialist
Hope Floyd, Licensure Analyst
Charlotte Mason, Licensing Supervisor

STAFF ABSENT:

Darren Mickler, Executive Director
Annette Wimberly, Complaint Compliance Analyst

ATTORNEY GENERAL REPRESENTATIVE:

Reagan Dean, Assistant Attorney General
Amelia Baker, Assistant Attorney General, via teleconference

Call to order: At 9:15 a.m., H. Grady Smith, III, Chairman called the meeting to order.

A draft of the September 18, 2013 minutes were presented and members were asked for any additions or deletions. Mr. Strickland moved to adopt the minutes. Mr. Cunningham seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Board Hearing:

A public hearing was conducted before the Board with Mr. Reagan Dean, Attorney on the behalf of Board, regarding Mr. Alfred McRae, MPR108045. A decision to table this case, Board Docket Number 2014-2068, with a decision to leave the record open for 30 days to consider any additional information or evidence.

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Executive Session:

At 9:32 a.m., Mr. Strickland made a motion to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A.43-1-2(k) and 43-1-19(h) to deliberate on applications and investigative matters and to receive an investigative report. Mr. Cunningham seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion were those members present who included Board members H. Grady Smith, Lance McCravy, Shane Strickland, Paul Maushardt, and Jay Cunningham. The Board concluded Executive Session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

Complaint and Compliance Report presented to the Board

Mr. McCravy made a motion to accept the Complaint and Compliance Report as presented. Mr. Strickland seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Board Office:

PLUM130035- Allegations of substandard work and criminal arrest- Close and flag license due to respondent unresponsive to numerous request by Board.
PLUM120015- Tabled pending receipt of additional information or documents licensee/respondent request for consideration by the Board.
PLUM140031/AP2307673 - Application for reinstatement of MP license reporting sanctions by Alabama State Board. Reinstatement MP license with no sanctions.
PLUM140010-Allegations of substandard work- Close with letter of concern to licensee and request for complainant to advise the Board of the outcome of civil action.
MPR007589 - Chet William Jernigan - Approved request to terminate probation.
MP210127 - Christopher Alexander - Approved request to terminate probation.
MP208151- Ricky Suggs - Approved request to terminate probation.
JP506127 - Duane Woodworth - Approved request to terminate probation.
MP208315 - Filbert Gardner - Approved request to terminate probation.
JP506097 - Michael Hearing - Approved request to terminate probation.
PLUM130066 - Applicant 2293288 – Application for MP licensure with previous sanctions by the Board. Approved the application for licensure with no sanctions.
PLUM140016 - Applicant 2302115- Application for reinstatement of MPR license with criminal history. Approved the application for reinstatement with no sanctions.
PLUM140032 - Applicant 2323403- Application for JP examination and licensure with criminal history. Approved for JP examination but deny licensure when/if applicant passes the examination due to criminal history.
PLUM140022- Allegations of substandard work. Close with letter of explanation to complainant concerning expansion devices.
PLUM150003 – Applicant 2090614 – Application for JP licensure with criminal history. Tabled pending receipt of AG review and advisement.

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PLUM130066- Michael Hearing – Refer to legal services for consent assessing a \$1000.00 fine due immediately for practicing beyond scope of JP license.

PLUM150004- Applicant 2326171 – Application for JP examination and licensure with criminal history. Approved for examination but no recommendation for licensure when/if applicant passes the exam.

Legal Services:

PLUM130028- Christopher Frank Clements - Accept consent order for JP licensure placing the license on probation concurrent with criminal probation and requiring a report from probation officer at renewal and close.

PLUM140030- Zachary Sims- Accept consent order for JP licensure placing the license on probation for twelve months due to criminal history and close.

Investigations:

PLUM130055 - Wesley Young, Conyers- Accept C & D and close.

PLUM130055 - Nathan (Nate) Lyell, Grayson- Accept C & D and close.

PLUM130055 - Jack Worley, Lawrenceville - Accept C & D and close.

PLUM130055 - Close with letter of concern regarding assisting unlicensed practices.

PLUM130056 - Bradley Ray Hughes, Hinesville- Accept C & D and close.

PLUM130062 - Michael Moore, Baxley - Accept C & D and close.

PLUM140026 - Tom Hurt, Conyers -Accept C & D and close.

PLUM140029 - Casey Thompson, Savannah - C & D and close.

PLUM130066 - Refer to AG for consent assessing a \$1000.00 fine due immediately for practicing beyond scope of JP license.

PLUM130023 - Allegations of ULP- Close due to complainant failed to submit requested documentation.

PLUM130067 - Allegations of ULP- Close due to complainant wishes to withdraw complaint.

PLUM130045 - Allegations of unlicensed practices. Close due to respondent one possess an MP license and respondent two resides out of state.

PLUM140014 - Allegations of substandard practices. Close due to complainant no longer wishes to pursue.

PLUM140006 - Allegations of fraudulent practices. Tabled pending further documentation received from respondent.

PLUM130064 - Allegations of AULP and ULP. Refer respondent 1, licensee, to the AG for a consent order assessing a \$500.00 fine for assisting unlicensed practices and refer respondent 2 back to investigations to issue a cease and desist order for unlicensed practices.

PLUM130019 - Allegations of violating previously issued C & D. Close due to violations exists.

PLUM130063 - Allegations of unlicensed practices. Close due to insufficient evidence found to support allegation.

PLUM130022 - Allegations of unlicensed practices. Close due to respondent could not be located.

PLUM130033 - Allegations of unlicensed practices. Close due to respondent could not be located and flag JP application.

PLUM140021 - Allegations of unlicensed practices. Close with no action.

PLUM130059 - Allegations of substandard work. Close due to respondent is unlicensed and resides out of state.

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PLUM140007 - Allegations of practicing beyond scope of JP license. Close due to insufficient evidence found to support allegation.

PLUM140001 - Allegations of unlicensed practices. Close as a result of AG memorandum with a letter of concern to respondent.

PLUM130058 - Allegations of assisting unlicensed practices and unlicensed practices. Close due to no evidence was found verifying that unlicensed practices were being performed.

PLUM140008 - Allegations of assisting unlicensed practices and unlicensed practices. Close due to no evidence was found verifying that unlicensed practices were being performed.

PLUM140020 - Allegations of unlicensed practices. Close with no action and notify complainant to file a civil suit.

Assistant Attorney General:

PLUM110063 - Wendell Wayne Irvin- Accept consent order upon receipt assessing a \$700.00 fine and six months of probation for assisting unlicensed practices and close.

PLUM130043 - Randy T. Cochran- Accept consent order for renewal assessing a \$2000.00 fine and placing the license on probation for twelve months for assisting unlicensed practices and close.

PLUM130038 - William L. Pickles, Sr. Accept consent order assessing a \$1000.00 fine and six months of probation for assisting unlicensed practices and close.

PLUM140001- Allegations of unlicensed practices. Refer respondent to Residential and General Contractors Board, Electrical Contractors Board and Conditioned Air Contractors Board for unlicensed practices and close plumbing case.

PLUM120086 - Susan Collins, Kingsland- Accept consent order assessing a \$500.00 fine for violation or previously issued Cease and Desist order and close.

PLUM130003 - Susan Collins, Kingsland- Accept consent order assessing a \$500.00 fine for violation or previously issued Cease and Desist order and close.

Open Session:

Open Session reconvened at 11:07 p.m., with the following Board members present:
H. Grady Smith, Lance McCravy, Jay Cunningham, Shane Strickland, and Paul Maushardt.

Jay Cunningham left the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

Approval of Executive Session Minutes:

A draft of the September 18, 2013 Executive Session minutes were presented and members were asked for any additions or deletions. Mr. McCravy moved to adopt the minutes. Mr. Strickland seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

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Applications:

The Board reviewed a list of applicants that have been previously reviewed and approved. Mr. Strickland made a motion to ratify licenses issued from September 18, 2013 – March 4, 2014. Mr. McCravy seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Executive Director's Report

Adrienne Price filled in for Darren Mickler in his absence. She briefly discussed that Senate Bill 205 did not pass through the senate. The bill reads as follows:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to professions and businesses, so as to change the expiration and renewal dates for certain licenses and certificates issued by certain professional licensing boards; to prohibit professional licensing boards from requiring continuing education and training once a license has been issued except in the event disciplinary action has been taken against the licensee; to provide for exceptions and for applicability; to provide for the division director of the Secretary of State to adopt rules and regulations to effectuate such provisions; to provide for related matters; to provide effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Other Business:

After reviewing a request for Approval of CAAG courses for plumbing CE, the Board recommended to table this case for further information.

There being no further business, at 1:13 p.m., Mr. McCravy made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Cunningham seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Board Secretary

Date Approved

Executive Director

Division Chairman