

# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## ARCHITECTURAL LICENSING BOARD

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**-MINUTES-**

**MAY 17, 2013**

The six hundred and seventy ninth meeting of the Architectural Licensing Board, held on May 17, 2013, was called to order by Chairman Mr. S. Edward Jeter at 9:13 AM in Room No. 117 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

### **Board Members**

<b>Present:</b>	David H. Barkin	Board Member
	Robert B. Hurd	Board Member
	S. Edward Jeter	Chairman (by telephone)
	Pauline S. Morales	Board Member

### **Board Members**

<b>Not Present:</b>	Carole W. Briggs	Board Member
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<b>Vacancy:</b>	None
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<b>Others Present:</b>	Robert M. Kuzmich	Department of Consumer Protection (DCP)
	Steven J. Schwane	Department of Consumer Protection
	Peter R. Huntsman	Attorney General's Office
	Bruce Spiewak	AIA/CT
	Brian Cleveland	A.R.E. Candidate

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## **1. Old Business**

1A. Submission of the minutes of the March 13, 2013 Architectural Licensing Board Meeting; for review and approval. Mr. Schwane stated on page three, second paragraph under Agenda Item 2A; the last line should read "Mr. Schwane noted that he will now present these changes to the Department's Legislative Liaison for the Commissioner's review and approval." This is a Regulation change and therefore would not be a part of the Department's Legislative Package As such, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes as corrected herein. (Hurd/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. At the last Board Meeting, Mr. Barkin volunteered to draft a response to Mr. Anthony D'Andrea, Chairman of the Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors concerning a letter he drafted to the City of Hartford.

It was noted that there were very minor changes suggested by Ms. Briggs which were communicated to the Board by e-mail. Mr. Kuzmich also noted that he has spoken with Mr. Dan Tierney from the State Building Official's Office who stated that they are eagerly awaiting a written response from the Board to aid his Office in their position on this subject. Mr. Tierney is in agreement with the Board's position on this matter. After a review of Mr. Barkin's draft and taking into account the suggested revisions, the Board voted unanimously to accept the draft as written and to have their Board Chairman sign the final copy and send the same to Mr. D'Andrea. (Hurd/Jeter)

1C. Application of Mr. Brian Cleveland for admission to the Architectural Registration Examination by alternate to Accredited Degree; report from Mr. David Barkin on his review of the Mr. Cleveland's application. Mr. Barkin explained that he met with Mr. Cleveland and reviewed his documentation. Mr. Cleveland recently registered and began documenting his work experience with the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards and therefore not all of his experience is noted in these records. Mr. Cleveland, on his own, documented the balance of his work experience (not recorded with NCARB due to their IDP guidelines) in accordance with their work categories. Mr. Barkin detailed the candidate's educational background focusing on the degree he received in comparison to an accredited degree in architecture.

After more comprehensive discussion by the Board, it was decided to allow Mr. Cleveland to sit for the Architectural Registration Examination by vote from the Board.

(Hurd/Jeter) It is noted that Mr. Barkin abstained from the vote. Mr. Hurd complimented Mr. Barkin on the excellent job he did in his review of the candidate and in his report to the Board. He feels very confident that Mr. Cleveland will pass the examination and serve the public well as an architect.

## **2. New Business**

2A. State of Nevada Registration Quiz; for review and discussion by the Board. Mr. Barkin noted that he has just gone through this process to get his license in Nevada. Officials in this State noted that this examination was put in place without extensive legislative process. Mr. Schwane noted that in Connecticut, if an examination such as this was put in place, it has to be done by Regulation change. Mr. Barkin explained the process by which a candidate follows if he/she fails the test. The Board acknowledged that administration of this test would be a burden to an already reduced staff.

After more discussion, the Board voted unanimously to table this issue pending further research into the subject and to continue this discussion at their next regular meeting when all members are present.

2B. Draft Resolutions To Be Acted Upon at the 2013 NCARB Annual Meeting; for review and action. *The Board voted, as indicated below, on the following proposed resolutions to be acted upon at the 2013 NCARB Annual Meeting:*

Resolution 2013-01: Model Law and Regulations Amendment – Use of Electronic Seals and Signatures”; **supported.**

Resolution 2013-02: Certification Guidelines Amendment – Alternative to Education Requirement; **supported.**

Resolution 2013-03: Certification Guidelines Amendment – Modifications to Broadly Experienced Architect Terminology; **supported.**

Resolution 2013-04: Certification Guidelines Amendment – Modification to Broadly Experienced Foreign Architect Terminology; **supported.**

Resolution 2013-05: Bylaws Amendment – Eligibility for the Public Director Position; **supported.**

Resolution 2013-06: Inter-Recognition Agreement with Canada – Update and Conforming Changes to Certification Guidelines; **the Board took no position on this resolution and will allow the Chairman to vote, as he sees appropriate, at the time this Resolution is discussed on the meeting floor.**

2C. E-Mail from Ms. Diane Harp Jones, AIA/CT, dated April 10, 2013, concerning the Complaint Process; for discussion by the Board. Mr. Hurd noted that this matter is an unlicensed practice issue that has fallen through the cracks at the State level. Mr. Hurd gave general details on this matter.

2D. Complaint Report from the Trade Practices Division concerning Complaints associated with the Architectural Licensing Board; for the Board’s review. The report received today was in e-mail format and not of much benefit to the Board. The Board again expressed their continued frustration in not being able to get the complaint report in the format they have been asking for some time.

The Board asked their Chairman to meet with the Director of Trade Practices, Mr. Rick Maloney, to further discuss this matter. Mr. Jeter agreed to do so and will bring with him an example of the format of the report the Board wants. Mr. Hurd questioned why the State wouldn’t want the Board to have the tools they need to better protect the public’s health, safety, and welfare by assuring that individuals practicing Architecture in this State are properly licensed to do so. In their meetings with Mr. Maloney in the past, he has always been very cooperative and accommodating to the Boards wishes.

2E. The following candidates 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 individuals for licensing as architects in Connecticut. (Hurd/Jeter)

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| 1. Harris, Jr., Alan B | 4. Spearman, Robert D. |
| 2. McClure, Robert C.  | 5. White, Tanner       |
| 3. Muncie, Jeffrey     |                        |

2F. Applications for licensing by waiver of examination; 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. (Hurd/Barkin)***

1	Bagnoli, David C.	Waiver of Examination; Ohio	(NCARB File No. 61029)
2	Bisbano, Bruce	Waiver of Examination; Rhode Island	(NCARB File No. 58565)
3	Blumberg, Shirley	Waiver of Examination; Michigan	(NCARB File No. 69097)
4	Dunn-Raynoha, Kathleen	Waiver of Examination; New York	Direct
5	Elliot, Donna A.	Waiver of Examination; Arkansas	(NCARB File No. 95026)
6	Ganthner, Jeffrey W.	Waiver of Examinaton; Maryland	(NCARB File No. 78971)
7	Girouard, Miles S.	Waiver of Examination; Kansas	(NCARB File No. 62425)
8	Hamilton, William S.	Waiver of Examination; New Jersey	Direct

9	Harmon, Glenn L.	Waiver of Examination; Maine	(NCARB File No. 52350)
10	Howley, Linda	Waiver of Examination; Colorado	(NCARB File No. 681499)
11	Iannacito, John	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 80981)
12	Johnson, Richard F.	Waiver of Examination; New Jersey	Direct
13	Kreilich, Matthew	Waiver of Examination; Minnesota	(NCARB File No. 83966)
14	Kuwabara, Bruce	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 69098)
15	Lasky, Scott L.	Waiver of Examination; Oklahoma	(NCARB File No. 75188)
16	Lauriat, Christopher D.	Waiver of Examination; Illinois	(NCARB File No. 67767)
17	Li, Ling	Waiver of Examination; New York	Direct
18	Lovelady, Brent E.	Waiver of Examination; Texas	Direct
19	Massey, William	Waiver of Examination; Massachusetts	(NCARB File No. 84626)
20	Meyer, Adam	Waiver of Examination; Rhode Island	(NCARB File No. 69907)
21	McKenna, Marianne	Waiver of Examination; Massachusetts	(NCARB File No. 69484)
22	Mederos, Raul G.	Waiver of Examination; New Jersey	(NCARB File No. 102719)
23	Mikhael, Andrew	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 91178)
24	O'Brien, James S.	Waiver of Examination; North Carolina	(NCARB File No. 103497)
25	O'Shea, Michael P.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 14352)
26	Perham, Heidi	Waiver of Examination; Florida	(NCARB File No. 59677)
27	Peterson, Robert A.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 109644)
28	Polsinelli, John B.	Waiver of Examination; Michigan	(NCARB File No. 89775)
29	Posen, Dennis A.	Waiver of Examination; Maryland	(NCARB File No. 38110)
30	Prengaman, David R.	Waiver of Examination; Massachusetts	(NCARB File No. 43149)
31	Rees, David R.	Waiver of Examination; Utah	(NCARB File No. 89675)
32	Robinson, Lewis W.	Waiver of Examination; Minnesota	(NCARB File No. 19575)
33	Rookard, Terry P.	Waiver of Examination; Massachusetts	(NCARB File No. 41142)
34	Rosenberg, Scott P.	Waiver of Examination; Massachusetts	(NCARB File No. 51226)
35	Salerno, William A.	Waiver of Examination; Maryland	(NCARB File No. 98582)
36	Scro, Mary Fitzpatrick	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 78980)
37	Shaw, Jeffrey	Waiver of Examination; Massachusetts	(NCARB File No. 88421)
38	Straccamore, Robert J.	Waiver of Examination; New York	Direct
39	Teabo, Timothy N.	Waiver of Examination; Massachusetts	(NCARB File No. 75308)
40	Topping, Daniel J.	Waiver of Examination; Pennsylvania	(NCARB File No. 86002)
41	Walker, Horace	Waiver of Examination; New Jersey	(NCARB File No. 86053)
42	Worthy, Charlotte	Waiver of Examination; New York	Direct

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

1. Mr. Schwane updated the Board on a complaint he has been working on with Mr. Hurd. The Board, last year, approved an agreement with architect in this matter which required the respondent to complete a course in construction management which he has now completed.
2. Mr. Schwane updated the Board on their proposed changes to their Regulations and concerns electronic seals. He discussed this proposal with Mr. Gary Burner, the Department's Legislative Liaison who had initially suggested changes but has now backed off on this. Mr. Schwane also asked the Board if they would agree to a possible

change, in case this might come up, concerning the requirement for all licensees to file an image of their seal with the Department. There was a possibility to change this language to make the submission of the images only at the request of the Department. In all likelihood, the language will remain the same and not be changed to this but he wants the Board's opinion just in case. Mr. Hurd is more comfortable with leaving the language unchanged but sees no repercussions if the language is changed.

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

1. Mr. Jeter asked the Board if they would object to moving their September meeting date from September 20<sup>th</sup> to September 27<sup>th</sup>. This change is requested to accommodate a combined visit from NCARB Staff Members Mr. Michael Armstrong, Chief Executive Officer, and Ms. Kathy Hillegas, Director, Council Relations, who will visit our Board on Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup> and then proceed to Vermont on Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. The Board agreed to move the date. The Department calendar will be changed to reflect the same and Meeting Room accommodations will be secured.

***The meeting adjourned at 10:17 a.m. (Hurd/Barkin) The next regular meeting of the Architectural Licensing Board is scheduled for Friday, July 19, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.; State Office Building; Room 117; 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.***

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert M. Kuzmich, R.A.  
Board Administrator