Department of Commerce Professional Licensing Bureau

OF THE STATE OF IOWA

IN THE MATTER OF:) Case No. 14-15 Beard / Commission	tuling county
Warren Johnson	8ignature, Executive Office	er
Architect Applicant) STATEMENT OF CHARGES	
) CHARGES AND CONSENT ORDER	
876 Sterling Road) IN DISCIPLINARY CASE	
Inverness, IL 60067		
)	
Respondent.)	

A. Statement of Charges

- 1. The Iowa Architectural Examining Board ("Board") has jurisdiction of this disciplinary matter pursuant to Iowa Code chapters 17A, 272C, and 544A (2015).
 - 2. Respondent applied for registration as an architect in Iowa in December 2014.
- 3. The application form asked Respondent if he'd ever had a professional license disciplined by a licensing board. He responded "No".
 - 4. In fact, Respondent's architect registration was disciplined in Illinois in 2002.
- 5. Respondent provided erroneous information on his application, which is a violation of Iowa Code section 544A.25(2)(b). The Board may deny an application based on a misstatement of this nature. Instead, the Board will issue Respondent a registration, but subject to discipline based on his misstatement. Providing truthful information is important in the application process and more generally in the practice of architecture.
- 6. Respondent is charged with violating section 544A.25(2)(b). Misstatements of this nature are also considered a practice harmful or detrimental to the public under lowa Code section 272C.10(3).
- 7. The Board considers all such misstatements serious matters, but there is a mitigating factor here as the nature of the Illinois discipline would not have resulted in a denial of the application if properly disclosed.
- 8. The Board and Respondent have agreed to fully resolve these charges through the following Consent Order, rather than proceed to contested case hearing.

B. Settlement Agreement and Consent Order

- 9. Respondent has a right to a hearing on the charges, but waives his right to hearing and all attendant rights, including the right to seek judicial review, by freely and voluntarily entering into this Order. This Consent Order constitutes discipline against the Respondent, and is the final agency order in the contested case, pursuant to lowa Code section 17A.10 and 193 Iowa Administrative Code 7.4. Respondent acknowledges he had the opportunity to consult with legal counsel before signing this Consent Order.
- 10. Respondent agrees the State's counsel may present this Order to the Board and may have ex parte communications with the Board while presenting it.
- 11. This Order shall be part of the permanent record of Respondent and shall be considered by the Board in determining the nature and severity of any future disciplinary action to be imposed in the event of any future violations.
- 12. This Combined Statement of Charges and Consent Order is a public record available for inspection and copying in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code chapter 22 (2015).
- 13. Failure to comply with the provisions of this Order shall be grounds for further disciplinary action pursuant to lowa Code section 272C.3(2)(a) (2015). However, no action may be taken against Respondent for violations of these provisions without a hearing, or waiver of hearing.
 - 14. This Order is subject to approval of the Board:
 - (a) If the Board fails to approve this Order, it shall be of no force or effect on either party, and it shall not be admissible for any purpose in further proceedings in this matter.
 - (b) If the Board approves this Order, it shall fully dispose of all issues in this case.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

A. Reprimand

Respondent is reprimanded for failing to disclose prior discipline in his application for registration.

B. <u>Future Compliance</u>

Respondent is ordered to obey all applicable Iowa laws and rules in the future.

The Respondent	Iowa Architectural Examining Board
Warren Johnson	Emily Forquer, President
1.27.15	3/10/2010
Date	Date