Department of Commerce Professional Licensing Bureau

BEFORE THE ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINING BOARD __
OF THE STATE OF IOWA

IN THE MATTER OF:) Case No. 18-02 Signature, Executive Officer
Curt T. Pratt)
Architect license 07034) STATEMENT OF CHARGES
) AND CONSENT ORDER IN
2948 Oxford Drive) DISCIPLINARY CASE
Bettendorf, Iowa 52722	
)
Respondent.	
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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 (2017).
- 2. Respondent is currently a licensed architect whose license expires on June 30, 2019.
- 3. On or about July 30, 2017, Respondent renewed his license, which included submitting a form to the Board certifying he had completed the required 24 hours of continuing education for the previous biennium, per Iowa Administrative Code rule 193B—3.3(3).
- 4. In January, 2018, Respondent was selected for a continuing education audit and submitted verification of completion of 19 of the 24 required continuing education hours.
- 5. Respondent is charged with violating lowa Administrative Code rule 193B—3.3(1) by failing to complete the required 24 hours of continuing education for the 2015-2017 biennium.
- 6. 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

7. 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 lowa Administrative Code rule 193—7.4. Respondent acknowledges he had the opportunity to consult with legal counsel before signing this Consent Order.

- 8. 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.
- 9. 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.
- 10. 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.
- 11. Failure to comply with the provisions of this Order may be grounds for further disciplinary action. However, no action may be taken against Respondent for violations of these provisions without a hearing, or waiver of hearing.
 - 12. 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. <u>License Made Inactive</u>

Respondent agrees to the Board placing his active architect license into inactive status, during which time he may not engage in any of the practices in lowa that are listed in lowa Code section 544A.16, without first complying with all rules governing reinstatement to active status.

B. Continuing Education

Respondent shall attend ten (10) additional hours of continuing education as a condition precedent to Respondent's reinstatement of his inactive architecture license, along with fulfilling the requirements listed in Iowa Administrative Code rule 1938—2.7(1) to reinstate his inactive license to active status. These continuing education hours shall conform to the requirements of Iowa Administrative Code chapter 1938—3. These hours shall not count towards Respondent's continuing education requirement for renewal or for reinstatement occurring after July 30, 2019. Respondent is solely responsible for all costs associated with

obtaining these hours.

C. <u>Civil Penalty</u>

Respondent shall pay to the Board a civil penalty in the amount of fifty dollars (\$50) as a condition precedent to Respondent's reinstatement of his inactive architecture license. The Board shall not reinstate the Respondent's license to active status before and until it has received payment if full of the required civil penalty. Payment of the civil penalty shall not excuse the Respondent from demonstrating compliance will all other applicable statutory and regulatory requirements or otherwise qualify for reinstatement of his architect license.

D. <u>Future Compliance</u>

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

The Respondent

Iowa Architectural Examining Board

Curt T. Pratt

President

Date