

**BEFORE THE ACCOUNTANCY EXAMINING BOARD
OF THE STATE OF IOWA**

<p>IN THE MATTER OF:</p> <p>Robert W. Snodgrass CPA Certificate #O01296</p> <p style="text-align:center">Respondent.</p>	<p>Case No. 18-07</p> <p>CONSENT ORDER</p>
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A. Statement of Charges

1. The Iowa Accountancy Examining Board (“**Board**”) has jurisdiction of this disciplinary matter pursuant to Iowa Code chapters 17A, 272C, and 542 (2017).
2. Respondent is a CPA whose certificate number is O01296. Respondent’s certificate expired on June 30, 2017. Respondent reinstated on May 22, 2018. Respondent’s certificate will now expire on July 1, 2019. Respondent continued to hold himself out as a CPA and provided compilations services to Iowa clients during the period of lapse.
3. While compilation services are not assurance engagements, they do require compliance with applicable compilation standards. *See* Iowa Admin. Code r. 193A—6.3; *see also* Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services § 60.05, .46.
4. The Board charges Respondent with practicing public accountancy on a lapsed certificate in violation of Iowa Code sections 542.10(1)(c) and (d) and 542.13(1) and (2); and 193A Iowa Administrative Code rules 5.1(3) and (4), 5.5(8), 5.6(5), 6.4(1), 13.5(1), and 14.3 (7)(k).
5. 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

1. Respondent has a right to a hearing on the charges, but waives Respondent’s right to hearing and all attendant rights, including the right to seek judicial review, by freely and voluntarily entering into this Consent Order. This Consent Order constitutes discipline against Respondent, and is the final agency order in the contested case, pursuant to Iowa Code section 17A.10 and 193 Iowa Administrative Code 7.4. Respondent acknowledges that Respondent had an opportunity to review this Consent Order with legal counsel before signing it.
2. Respondent agrees the State’s counsel may present this Consent Order to the Board and may have ex parte communications with the Board while presenting it.
3. This Consent 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.

4. This Consent Order is a public record available for inspection and copying in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code chapter 22.

5. Failure to comply with the provisions of this Consent Order shall be grounds for further disciplinary action pursuant to Iowa Code section 272C.3(2)(a). However, no action may be taken against Respondent for violations of these provisions without a hearing, or waiver of hearing.

6. This Consent Order is subject to approval of the Board:

- a. If the Board fails to approve this Consent 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 Consent Order, it shall fully dispose of all issues in this case.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- A. The Board reprimands Respondent for practicing on a lapsed Iowa CPA certificate.
- B. Respondent shall notify all Iowa clients for whom Respondent provided compilation services that Respondent's certificate was lapsed. Respondent shall also notify any regulatory bodies to whom the Respondent or a client of Respondent's submitted one or more of the compilation reports during the period of lapse. Respondent shall secure Board approval of the notification language in advance of sending the notification to clients and, if applicable, to regulatory bodies. Respondent shall provide copies of the letters to the Board office and otherwise verify completion of the client/regulatory body notification within thirty days of the date this Consent Order is signed by all parties.

AGREED AND ACCEPTED:

Respondent

Robert W. Smolgras

By:

8-11-18
Date

Iowa Accountancy Examining Board

Dirk Dixon

By: Dirk Dixon, LPA, Chair

8/9/18
Date

