BEFORE THE INTERIOR DESIGN EXAMINING BOARD Professional Licensing Bureau

OF THE STATE OF IOWA

IN THE MATTER OF:

) Case No. 19-03

Bland/Commission

Signature, Executive Officer

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) AND CONSENT OF CHARGES

AND CONSENT ORDER IN

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Respondent.

A. Statement of Charges

- 1. The Iowa Interior Design Examining Board ("Board") has jurisdiction of this disciplinary matter pursuant to Iowa Code chapters 17A, 272C, and 544C (2019).
- 2. Respondent holds interior design registration architectural registration number 00099, issued by the Board on January 10, 2017, which is active and due for renewal on June 30, 2021.
- 3. On or about May 16, 2019, Respondent renewed her registration. The online renewal form states "Please select how you will report your continuing education." Respondent chose "Manually Provide CE Detail" and listed five classes with a total of 17 hours. Respondent checked the "I Agree" box stating, "I hereby certify that I have not violated the provisions of the license laws of any state other than violations revealed in this application. I further certify that I have reviewed and am familiar with and will be bound by the Iowa license law and rules of the Board, and that I personally completed this application and that the answers are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief." The required number of hours is 10 hours of continuing education in acceptable health, safety, and welfare subjects for the previous biennium, per Iowa Administrative Code rule 193G—3.2(1).
- 4. In October 2019, Respondent was selected for a continuing education audit. Respondent submitted verification of completion of 3 of the 10 required continuing education hours taken within the biennium.
- 5. Respondent is charged with violating lowa Administrative Code rule 193G—2.2, 3.2(1) and 3.6 by failing to complete the required 10 hours of continuing education for the 2017-2019 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 her 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 she 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 exparte 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. Reprimand

Respondent is reprimanded for failing to complete the required 10 hours of continuing education for the 2017-2019 biennium.

B. Continuing Education

Respondent agrees to attend fourteen (14) hours of continuing education. These continuing education hours shall conform to the requirements of Iowa Administrative Code chapter 193G—3. These hours shall not count towards Respondent's continuing education requirement for renewal. Respondent is solely responsible for all costs associated with obtaining these hours. Respondent shall provide the Board proof of completion of the fourteen (14) continuing education hours within sixty (60) days of the Board's approval of this Consent Order.

C. Civil Penalty

Respondent agrees to pay a civil penalty in the amount of fifty dollars (\$50) within thirty (30) days of the Board's approval of this Consent Order. All civil penalty payments shall be deposited into the State of Iowa general fund.

D. Future Compliance

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

The Respondent

Julie Quested

Date

Iowa Interior Examining Board

Lori Wiles, Chair

Date