

PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES
North Carolina State Board of CPA Examiners
December 14, 2015
1101 Oberlin Road
Raleigh, NC 27605

MEMBERS ATTENDING: Michael H. Womble, CPA, President; Wm. Hunter Cook, CPA, Vice President; Jeffrey J. Truitt, Esq., Secretary-Treasurer; Murchison (Bo) Biggs, CPA; Cynthia B. Brown, CPA; Justin C. Burgess; and George W. Rohe, CPA.

STAFF ATTENDING: Robert N. Brooks, Executive Director; David R. Nance, CPA, Deputy Director; Frank Trainor, Esq., Staff Attorney; Lisa R. Hearne, Communications Manager; Jean Marie Small, Professional Standards Specialist; Buck Winslow, Licensing Manager; and Noel L. Allen, Legal Counsel.

GUESTS: James T. Ahler, CEO, NCACPA; Sharon Bryson, COO, NCACPA; Eddie Sams, CPA, NCACPA; Mark Sotichack, CPA, NCACPA; Suzanne Jolicoeur, Senior Manager, State Regulation & Legislation, AICPA; Curt Lee, Legislative Liaison, NCSA; Officer Travis Goodman, Raleigh Police Department.

CALL TO ORDER: President Womble called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

MINUTES: The minutes of the November 16, 2015, meeting were approved as submitted.

FINANCIAL AND BUDGETARY ITEMS: The November 2015 financial statements were accepted as submitted.

Mr. Brooks informed the Board that the lease agreement with Family Resource Center of Raleigh was not being renewed effective December 1, 2015. The Executive Staff will proceed with obtaining a listing agent to solicit a new tenant.

Mr. Brooks informed the Board that a real estate firm had approached the Executive Staff regarding the purchase of the Board property. The real estate firm will contact the Board in the upcoming months regarding this matter.

STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION: President Womble provided the Board with an update on the Board's Strategic Planning Session scheduled for January 9, 2016, at the Grandover in Greensboro. Ed Barnicott of NASBA will contact the Board members prior to the meeting.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULE-MAKING ITEMS: Messrs. Cook and Truitt moved to approve the rules as published in the *NC Register, Volume 30*, on October 1, 2015. Motion passed with seven (7) affirmative votes and zero (0) negative votes.

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION ITEMS: The Board reviewed and approved the response to the NASBA Regional Directors' focus questions as submitted by President Womble and Mr. Brooks.

REPORT OF THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE: Mr. Cook moved and the Board approved the following recommendations of the Committee:

Case No. C2013175-2 - Gary A. House, CPA, PA - Approve the signed Consent Order (Appendix I).

Case No. C2015206 - Kevin M. Madden - Approve the signed Consent Order (Appendix II).

Case No. C2015266 - Close the case without prejudice.

Case No. C2015264 - Close the case without prejudice.

Case No. C2015263 - Close the case without prejudice.

Case No. C2015250 - Close the case without prejudice and with a Letter of Caution.

Case No. C2015251 - Close the case without prejudice and with a Letter of Warning.

REPORT OF THE PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AND APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE: Mr. Rohe moved and the Board approved the following recommendations of the Committee:

Reciprocal Certificate Applications - The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following:

Johnnie Scott Dick
Ryan Andrew Halbrook

Temporary Permits - The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following temporary permits that were approved by the Executive Director:

Jamison Walter Buehler, #T8872
Kevin Martin Tate, #T8873
Lisa Ryan Blair, #T8874

Sneha Satishkumar Somani, #T8875
Peter Eric Baisch, Jr., #T8876
Michael Miano Mellow, #T8877

Erik John Molander, #T8878
John Joseph Pyne, #T8879
Johnnie Scott Dick, #T8907
Michael Henry Kochanny, #T8908
Theodore Clemente Smoyer, #T8909
John William Jordan, #T8910
Melissa Marie Monroe, #T8911
Brenna Dominica Seredinsky, #T8912
Deborah Lynn Railton, #T8913
Sharon A. Klock, #T8914

Lauren Elizabeth Riley, #T8915
Taylor Matthew Ward, #T8916
Charlene Brookins Weston, #T8917
Joshua Blaine Jackson, #T8918
Nancy Lynn Crates, #T8919
Daniel Michael Lavelle, #T8920
Marco Lam, #T8921
William George Sanborn, #T8922
Ashley Michelle Gardner, #T8923

Reinstatements - The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following:

Hampton Croson Hager, III, #26710
Jennifer Leigh Handschumacher, #26589

Reissuance of New Certificate - The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following applications for reissuance of new certificate:

Alexander Steven Arndt, #33341
Shao Dong Wang, #38582

Reissuance of New Certificate and Consent Agreement - The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following application for reissuance of new certificate and consent agreement submitted by Denise Rene Wainright, #30003.

Firm Registrations - The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following professional limited liability companies that were approved by the Executive Director:

Michael P. Mattimore, PLLC
Wiggins CPA, PLLC

Letter of Warning - The Committee recommended that the Board approve the request to rescind the letter of warning awarded to Stephanie G. Caragher, #32392.

Examinations - The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following staff-approved applicants to sit for the Uniform CPA Examination:

Matthew Albert
Naida Aliyeva
Anna Auslander
Pommy Aynu
Claire Babashanian

James Badgett
Assane Badji
Nicholas Barnas
Mason Barringer
Anthony Bechtel

Mary Beets
Richard Berlin
Andrew Bowman
Andrew Bragg
Stacie Brandhoefer
Sarah Branoff
Randolph Brown
Ian Cader
Kimberly Carson
Devin Cass
Mary Cates
Sarah Chin
Tracey Clements
Tiffany Collins
Hallie Corday
Christopher Cunningham
Gina Daniels
Cheryl De-Castro
Cameron Donaldson
Christina Drake
Stewart Dula
Logan Dziedzic
Michael Eckert
Miranda Edwards
Elizabeth Eisenrauch
Rida Fatima
Alison Faustyn
Giovanni Figaro
Victoria Ford
Paige Garner
Zachary Gasper
Callie Gettys
Nancy Gibson
Richard Goldston
Davi Goncalves
Thomas Graham
Danez Green
Frank Greer
Benjamin Gregory
Kregg Gustin
Krista Hagler
Mallory Hammett
Arben Hankollari

Geri Hare
Virginia Harrelson
Kevin Harris
Dustin Harrison
Daniel Helms
Morgan Hess
Robert Hogan
Lisa Hong
Nathaniel Hookman
Benjamin Horne
Travis Hudgins
Mario Jarrett
Kristin Jarvis-DeSouza
Elana Jones
Shan Jones
Zachary Jones
Bryce Jordan
Sheridan Jordan
Marie Joelle Kabashi
Thomas Keaveny
Soonam Kim
Nicole King
William Kingdon
Mackenzie Kinley
Brittain Knowles
Laura Krawczyk
Sherry Lafon
Cameron Landreth
Kelly Larouche
Camie Le
Jillian Lieber
Yi Hua Lin
James Lipps
Christopher Lynagh
Keisha Lyons
Erin Mack
Kirk Mangum
Craig Martin
Emily Maurer
Lee McCollum
Kirsten McKenna
Sophia McKinnon
Addis Melesse

Erica Merriman
Jessica Metts
Megan Meyer
Jenni Middlebrook
Robert Mitchell
Steven Montross
Austin Morgan
Joseph Morrow
Donna Multerer
Connor Murdock
William O'Donnell
Abigail Odette
Meera Ogale
Ashley Oliver
Alynn Parker
Taylor Parks
Urvish Patel
Tonette Peace
Philip Pearce
Armand Perez
Mark Perlberg
Lynda Peterson
Marquis Pullen
Brian Reynolds
Devan Riley
Connor Ritchey
Dredlin Rodriguez-Ramos
Carol Ruffin
Stephanie Ruggeri
Ayanna Schlick
Vanessa Seigle
Elizabeth Senczy
Shelly-Ann Serrette
Pamela Seward
Payal Shah

Michael Shortall
Lanita Slaughter
Krista Smith
Meaghann Smith
Sandra Smith
Tammy Southerland
Seth Spencer
Stephen Spivey
Charles Sprouse
Charles Steffenella
Maren Stephenson
Quasha Stinson
Bennett Strickland
Andrew Sudran
Qianxiang Tang
Charnice Taylor
Lindsay Tippet
Jeffrey Turner
Petra Tyndall
Edward Vallejo
Patrick Walsh
Andrew Wasilick
Samuel Watson
Shelby Webb
BreAnn Weeda
Haley West
Lindsey Willis
Nellie Wilson
Adam Woeller
Logan Wolfe
Kate Woltz
Garrett Wydysh
Nia Wylie
Patricia Young
Serafim Zaravelis

Staff recommended that the Committee determine and accept the grades received for the July - August 2015 exams. Twenty-five files with grade reports were haphazardly selected and available at the meeting for review by a Board member. The Committee recommended that the Board approve staff recommendation.

ADJOURNMENT: Messrs. Cook and Biggs moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:37 a.m. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted:

Attested to by:



Robert N. Brooks
Executive Director



Michael H. Womble, CPA
President

NORTH CAROLINA
WAKE COUNTY

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS
CASE #: C2013175-2

IN THE MATTER OF:
Gary A. House, CPA, P.A.
Respondent

CONSENT ORDER

THIS CAUSE, coming before the North Carolina State Board of CPA Examiners ("Board") at its offices at 1101 Oberlin Road, Raleigh, Wake County, North Carolina, with a quorum present. Pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. § 150B-41, the Board and Respondent stipulate to the following:

1. Gary A. House, CPA, P.A. (hereinafter "Respondent firm"), is a registered certified public accounting corporation in North Carolina.
2. Respondent firm received a "fail" on its most recent engagement peer review, with an acceptance letter date of February 23, 2015.
3. Per 21 NCAC 08M .0106, for all failed and second passed with deficiencies reports, the Respondent firm was required to submit to the Board a package to include the Peer Review Report, Letter of Response, and Final Letter of Acceptance.
4. Respondent firm failed to provide any of the required documents within the time period required by 21 NCAC 08M .0106.
5. Per 21 NCAC 08N .0212, and .0404, Respondent firm was required to perform attest and assurance services in accordance with standards of generally accepted accounting principles.
6. The peer review report noted a failure to use the proper report language and a failure to obtain written engagement letters as required by professional standards.
7. Respondent Firm wishes to resolve this matter by consent and agrees that the Board staff and counsel may discuss this Consent Order with the Board *ex parte*, whether or not the Board accepts this Consent Order as written. Respondent Firm understands and agrees that this Consent Order is subject to review and approval by the Board and is not effective until approved by the Board at a duly constituted Board Meeting.

BASED upon the foregoing, the Board makes the following Conclusions of Law:

1. Respondent Firm is subject to the provisions of Chapter 93 of the North Carolina General Statutes and Title 21, Chapter 08 of the North Carolina Administrative Code, including the Rules of Professional Ethics and Conduct promulgated and adopted therein by the Board.

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2. Respondent firm's failure to submit to the Board copies of its Peer Review Report and Letter of Response constitutes a violation of 21 NCAC 08M .0106(a)(4), resulting in disciplinary action per 21 NCAC 08N .0213.
3. Respondent firm's failure to perform attest and assurance services in accordance with standards constitutes a violation of the Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services in violation of 21 NCAC 08N .0404 and .0212.
4. Per N.C. Gen. Stat. § 93-12(9), 93-10(b) and also by virtue of Respondent Firm's consent to this order, Respondent Firm is subject to the discipline set forth below.

BASED on the foregoing and in lieu of further proceedings, the Board and Respondent Firm agree to the following Order:

1. Respondent firm is censured.
2. Respondent firm shall pay a one thousand dollar (\$1,000) civil penalty to be remitted with this signed Consent Order.
3. Respondent firm shall provide a written statement to the Board that it will no longer be participating in, performing, or reviewing any engagements subject to peer review.

CONSENTED TO THIS THE 17th DAY OF November, 2015.
(Day) (Month) (Year)

Gary A. House
Individual authorized to sign on behalf of Respondent Firm

APPROVED BY THE BOARD THIS THE 14 DAY OF DECEMBER, 2015.
(Day) (Month) (Year)

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BY: [Signature]
President

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WAKE COUNTY

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS
CASE #C2015206

IN THE MATTER OF:
Kevin Michael Madden, CPA, #18616
Respondent

CONSENT ORDER

THIS CAUSE, coming before the North Carolina State Board of CPA Examiners ("Board") at its offices at 1101 Oberlin Road, Raleigh, Wake County, North Carolina, with a quorum present. Pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. § 150B-41, the Board and Respondent stipulate to the following:

1. Respondent is the holder of North Carolina certificate number 18616 as a Certified Public Accountant.
2. Respondent informed the Board on his 2014-2015 individual certificate Renewal ("Renewal") that between January 1, 2013, and June 30, 2014, he had obtained the requisite forty (40) hours of continuing professional education ("CPE") to meet the 2013 CPE requirements.
3. Based on Respondent's representation, the Board accepted his Renewal.
4. Board staff requested that Respondent provide certificates of completion for the CPE reported to meet his 2013 requirements.
5. Respondent was unable to provide documentation for twelve (12) hours of the 2013 CPE hours that he would need to meet the forty (40) hour requirement that he claimed on his 2014-2015 annual renewal.
6. Respondent wishes to resolve this matter by consent and agrees that the Board staff and counsel may discuss this Consent Order with the Board *ex parte*, whether or not the Board accepts this Consent Order as written. Respondent understands and agrees that this Consent Order is subject to review and approval by the Board and is not effective until approved by the Board at a duly constituted Board Meeting.

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BASED upon the foregoing, the Board makes the following Conclusions of Law:

1. Respondent is subject to the provisions of Chapter 93 of the North Carolina General Statutes and Title 21, Chapter 08 of the North Carolina Administrative Code, including the Rules of Professional Ethics and Conduct promulgated and adopted therein by the Board.
2. Respondent's actions as set out above constitute violations of 21 NCAC 08N .0202(a), .0202(b)(3), and .0202(b)(4).
3. Per N.C. Gen. Stat. § 93-12(9), 93-10(b) and also by virtue of Respondent's consent to this order, Respondent is subject to the discipline set forth below.

BASED on the foregoing and in lieu of further proceedings, the Board and Respondent agree to the following Order:

1. Respondent's failure to provide adequate documentation of CPE renders the Renewal insufficient and untimely. Respondent's failure to adequately renew his certificate results in an automatic forfeiture pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 93-12(15).
2. Respondent must return his certificate to the Board within fifteen (15) days of Respondent's receipt of the Board's notification of its approval of this Consent Order.
3. Respondent may apply for the reissuance of his certificate after one (1) year from the date the Board approves this Consent Order as long as the civil penalty required in number five (5) of this Order has been timely received by the Board.
4. Respondent may apply to return his certificate to active status by submission and approval of a reissuance application which includes:
 - a. Application form,
 - b. Payment of the application fee,
 - c. Three (3) moral character affidavits, and
 - d. Fifty-two (52) hours of CPE in the twelve (12) months preceding the application including an eight (8) hour accountancy law course as offered by the North Carolina Association of CPAs in a group-study format.

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5. Respondent shall pay a one thousand dollar (\$1,000) civil penalty, to be remitted to the Board prior to submitting a reissuance application.
6. Respondent agrees that failure to timely comply with any terms of this agreement and Consent Order shall be deemed sufficient grounds for revocation of his certificate.

CONSENTED TO THIS THE 12 DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2015.
(Day) (Month) (Year)

Kevin M Madden
Respondent

APPROVED BY THE BOARD THIS THE 14 DAY OF DECEMBER, 2015
(Day) (Month) (Year)

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BY: [Signature]
President

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