

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Board of Auctioneers Meeting

Meeting Type: General Board Meeting, Casa Monica Hotel, St. Augustine, FL

Meeting Date: December 12, 2007

Board Members: Michael Moecker, Vice Chair
Craig Accardo
Donald Shearer
H. Fred Dietrich, III

Other Attendees: Anthony B. Spivey, Executive Director
Renese Jones, Government Analyst I
Barbara Edwards, Assistant Attorney General
Jessica Leigh, Prosecuting Attorney

Major Issues/Actions

- Ms. Leigh presented a case load status report to the board. The case load includes a total of 19 auctioneer cases in the legal department.
- Ms. Leigh also presented six cases to the board for disciplinary action. Each case resulted in the board revoking the licenses of auctioneers and related businesses along with assessing fines and costs for the respective investigations.
- The board approved a recovery fund claim from a client for damages received from an auctioneer in the amount of \$50,000.00.
- Ms. Edwards reported to the board the rule for reinstating null and void licenses has been approved by the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee.
- The Executive Director presented an overview of the financial status of the board as of the end of June 30, 2007. The operating account has a balance of \$68,499; the unlicensed activity account has a balance of \$27,518; and the recovery fund operating account has a balance of \$816,278. The Executive Director indicated the department may recommend a fee holiday for the next renewal cycle in 2009 to reduce the amount of funds building in the operating account.

- The state of Michigan requested a reciprocity agreement be established with Florida for issuing auctioneer licenses. The board approved the request to have the department review the licensing standards in Michigan. The Bureau of Education and Testing will be notified to start the research and provide a recommendation to the board.
- The next auctioneer board meeting is scheduled for March 12, 2008 in Tallahassee.

Anthony B. Spivey
Executive Director
December 17, 2007