

# **FLORIDA CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY LICENSING BOARD**

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**September 12, 14-16, 2022  
MEETING MINUTES**

**Approved January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

## **Board Members Present**

Donald Cesarone, Vice-Chair  
Bradley Barreto  
Frank Cawthon  
Mario Famada  
Ted Feaster  
Edward McCullers  
Ashley Ross  
Michael Sasso  
Brian "Parks" Wilson  
Rachelle Wood  
Brian Zettle

## **Board Members Absent**

Edgar Laney  
Robert Maphis  
Keith Lawson, II  
Michael Strickland, Chair (partial)

## **Others Present**

Melanie S. Griffin, Secretary, DBPR  
Donald Shaw, Executive Director, DBPR  
Jordan Jones, Senior Management Analyst, DBPR  
Madison Williams, Government Analyst, DBPR  
Ian Brown, Chief Construction Attorney, DBPR  
Sally Raines, Deputy Chief Construction Attorney, DBPR  
Alessandra Mousinho, Senior Prosecuting Attorney, DBPR  
Christopher Dierlam, Assistant Attorney General, AGO

## **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS ENTITIES REVIEW DIVISION II**

**Division II Board members met for Additional Business Entities Review on September 14, 2022, from 2:00pm – 3:11pm. Edward McCullers led the meeting. Of the 20 applications on the agenda, 8 were approved, 4 were approved contingent, 4 were continued, 1 was withdrawn and 3 was denied.**

### **APPROVED (8)**

Bello, Remberto  
Brito, Jaime  
Di Sarro, Giovanni  
Giraldo, Miguel  
Luna, Andres  
Rivera, Louis  
Ryman, Kevin  
Shoumlin, Michael

### **APPROVED CONTINGENT (4)**

Denick, Joseph  
Harhold, Richard  
Rojas, Jairo  
Westcott, Michael

### **CONTINUED (4)**

Epp, Carl (30 days)  
McCall, James (30 days)  
Owens, Keith (180 days)  
Shores, Christopher (30 days)

### **WITHDRAWN (1)**

Kleiner, Henry

### **DENIED (3)**

Dorian, Kenneth  
Galue, Fernando (2)

## **APPLICATION REVIEW DIVISION II**

**Division II Board members met for Application Review on September 14, 2022, from 3:19pm to 4:41pm. Mario Famada led the meeting. Of the 26 applications on the agenda, 14 were approved, 1 was approved contingent, 4 were continued, 1 was pulled, 2 were withdrawn and 4 were denied.**

### **APPROVED (14)**

Ansley, Jeffrey  
Chitarath, David  
Crain, David  
Cross, John  
Depew, Matthew  
Esquivel, Ralph

Gulsby, Justin  
Kostov, Sam  
Lancaster, Thomas  
Shelly, Michael  
Stevenson, Marquise  
Tcimpidis, Joshua  
Vaught, Jessie  
Veradi, Anthony

APPROVED CONTINGENT (1)

Jones, Kenneth

CONTINUED (4)

Acosta, Danny (120 days)  
Cruz Ramos, Juan (30 days)  
Kumar, Sanjay (60 days)  
Montgomery, Michael (60 days)

PULLED (1)

Esquinaldo, Bruce

WITHDRAWN (2)

Owens, Christopher  
Smith, Clint

DENIED (4)

Clifford, Patrick  
Hulsey, Robert  
Kent, Randy  
Stevens, Adam

**ADDITIONAL BUSINESS ENTITIES REVIEW DIVISION I**

**Division I Board members met for Additional Business Entities Review on September 15, 202 from 1:30pm – 2:35pm. Ted Feaster led the meeting. Of the 22 applications on the agenda, 9 were approved, 4 were approved contingent, 2 were continued, 2 were pulled, 2 were withdrawn and 3 were denied.**

APPROVED (9)

Asion, Luis  
Beattie, Paul  
Carlson, Ryan  
Carr, Nathan  
Hagerman, Robert  
Shouvin, Michael  
Vargas, Jose  
Vellucci, Michael

Villasenor, Moises

APPROVED CONTINGENT (4)

Cruz, Resni  
Munyan, Daniel  
Taylor, Terrance  
Winter, Timothy

CONTINUED (2)

Miller, Austin (30 days)  
Monk, David (30 days)

PULLED (2)

Lamont, Keith  
Romano, Anthony

WITHDRAWN (2)

Milligan, Michael  
Ward, Kieran

DENIED (3)

Diaz, Samuel  
Garcia, Jose  
Wilford, Matthew

**APPLICATION REVIEW DIVISION I**

**Division I Board members met for Application Review on September 15, 2022, 2:46pm – 5:03pm. Robert Maphis led the meeting. Of the 38 applications on the agenda, 14 were approved, 2 were approved contingent, 7 were continued, 2 were pulled, 4 were withdrawn and 9 were denied.**

APPROVED (14)

Averette, William  
Bordelon, Christopher  
Cates, Matthew  
Cunha, Walmir  
Forgaciu, Flaviu  
Harris, Russell  
Houghton, Christopher  
Liebetreu, Ethan  
Muirhead, Jake  
Parker, Robert (2 years' probation)  
Simpson, Andrew  
Stewart, Lauren  
Wegryn, Stephen  
Williams, Franklin

APPROVED CONTINGENT (2)

Kislenko, Oleg  
Massey, Robert

CONTINUED (7)

Coble, Yvonne (90 days)  
Flaska, Kenneth (30 days)  
Lucas, Dennis (90 days)  
Pimienta, Maria (60 days)  
Ramessar, Amrita (30 days)  
Roberts, Steven (90 days)  
Worthington, Geoffrey (90 days)

PULLED (2)

Evans, Donald  
Gels, Steven

WITHDRAWN (4)

Abramov, Boris  
Hathorn, Jonathon  
Larsen, Jesse  
Williams, Leon

DENIED (9)

Ahmuty, Robert  
Albright, Joshua  
Cook, Nathaniel  
Eldick, Mahmoud  
Griffin, Andrew  
Herbenick, Richard  
Lauchman, Travis  
Olivares-Ortiz, Yuri  
Talbot, Aaron

**Division II Board members met for Final Action on September 15, 2022, 9:15am – 9:37am.  
Donald Cesarone led the meeting.**

**Case#(s): 2021055880**

**Brandon Durbin**

License #(s): CCC1331029

Revoked

Restitution: \$6,627.69 to Bonnie Teunis

Pay administrative fines in the amount of \$10,000 and costs of \$148.10

Not present

**Case#(s): 2021002554 / 2020056661 / 2020007491**

**Ricardo Gamez**

License #(s): CCC1328676

\$14,850.00 / \$32,250.00 / \$45,200.00

Probation: 6 years

Restitution: \$45,200 to Anthony Wright, \$32,250 to Carmen and Raphael Fernandez, and \$14,850 to Jose Fuentes, all to be paid within 2 years

7 hours additional live Continuing Education w/emphasis on Ch 489, F.S.

Pay administrative fines in the amount of \$25,000 and costs of \$500

Present with counsel

**Case#(s): 2021054638**

**Paul Douglas Garner Jr.**

License #(s): CCC1331002

Revoked

Pay administrative fines in the amount of \$5,000 and costs of \$56.43

Not present

**Case#(s): 2020005764**

**Alexander Joaquin Gomez**

License #(s): CCC1330814

7 hours additional live Continuing Education w/emphasis on Ch 489, F.S.

Pay administrative fines in the amount of \$2,500 and costs of \$155.46

Not present but represented by counsel

**Case#(s): 2021049733**

**Norma Adelina Rodriguez**

License #(s): CCC1332628

Probation: 2 years

7 hours additional live Continuing Education w/emphasis on Ch 489, F.S.

Pay administrative fines in the amount of \$7,000 and costs of \$69.21

Not present

**Case#(s): 2022024965 / 2022021239 / 2022026484 / 2022025639 / 2022027653 /  
2022021695 / 2022022015 / 2022022010 / 2022025658 / 2022025555 / 2022022008 /  
2022021789 / 2022025941 / 2022025697 / 2022027416**

**Robert Warren Sigman, Jr.**

License #(s): CPC1457647 / CPC1459646

Voluntarily Relinquished

Restitution: To be determined by the FHCRF

Pay administrative fines in the amount of \$150,000 and costs of \$1,000

Not present

**Case#(s): 2022001446**

**Jacob Westman**

License #(s): CCC1331937

Probation: 2 years

Restitution: \$10,000 to Joshua Higgins

Pay administrative fines in the amount of \$12,500 and costs of \$273.61  
Present

**Division I & II Board members met for Final Action on September 15, 2022, 9:45. Michael Strickland and Donald Cesarone led this meeting.**

**Case#(s): 2022003789**

**Felipe De Oliveira Cortes**

License #(s): CCC1331572 / CFC1430419 / CGC1526317 / CMC1250791 / CMC1251013 / CVC57121 / SCC131152591 / CPC1459728

Probation: 2 years

7 hours additional live Continuing Education w/emphasis on Ch 489, F.S.

Pay administrative fines in the amount of \$5,000 and costs of \$175.60

Not present but represented by counsel

**Case#(s): 2022028807 / 2022031029 / 2022029052 / 2022027662 / 2022026554 / 2022026372 / 2022025664 / 2022025200 / 2022025811**

**Karen Edgington**

License #(s): FRO11697

Voluntarily Relinquished

Restitution: To be determined by the FHCRF

Pay administrative fines in the amount of \$90,000 and costs of \$1,000

Not present

**Case#(s): 2022002560**

**Stanley Souvenir**

License #(s): CCC1328514 / CRC1329659

Revoked

Pay administrative fines in the amount of \$10,000 and costs of \$140.62

Present

**Division I Board members met for Final Action on September 15, 2022, 10:00am – 10:08 Ted Feaster led the meeting.**

**Case#(s): 2015049679**

**Keith D Chambers**

License #(s): CBC36347

Motion to Reconsider withdrawn by the petitioner.

**Case#(s): 2020038256**

**Phillip Resmondo**

License #(s): CGC1512874

7 hours additional live Continuing Education w/emphasis on Ch 489, F.S.

Pay administrative fines in the amount of \$10,000 and costs of \$244.25

Not present

**Case#(s): 2019053563**

**Phillip E Resmondo**

License #(s): CGC1512874

7 hours additional live Continuing Education w/emphasis on Ch 489, F.S.

Pay administrative fines in the amount of \$10,000 and costs of \$191.71

Not present

**Division II Board members convened for Probation July 14, 2022, 8:32am – 8:41am.**

**Ashley Ross led the meeting.**

**Boadway, Jake – CFC1429284, CFC1431064, CFC1427090**

Appearance 2 of 4

Contingent Satisfactory – Submit WC Insurance with no lapse in coverage

**Brignola, Peter Francis – CAC1815272**

Appearance 4 of 4

Satisfactory

Probation Terminated

**Faulkner, Robert Aubrey – CFC1426552**

Appearance 3 of 4

Satisfactory

Early termination requested and approved

**Hale, Jason – CAC1816498**

Appearance 3 of 4

Early termination requested and approved

**Schenk, Michael Anthony**

Appearance 3 of 4

Satisfactory

Early termination requested and approved

**STAYS OF SUSPENSION TO BE LIFTED FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY**

- **Sittig, Bill – CPC1459127**  
0 of 4 satisfactory appearances  
STAY LIFTED

**Division I Board members convened for Probation on September 15, 2022, 10:35am – 10:53am. Mike Strickland led the meeting.**

**Bessey, Jeff – CBC1258649, CBC1260880, CRC1328537**

Appearance 4 of 8

Satisfactory

Appearance 5 of 8

Satisfactory – Contingent on bank statements within 30 days

**Butler, Samuel – CGC1505539**

Appearance 8 of 8

Satisfactory



Probation Terminated

**Knighten, Lisa Ann – CBC1256809**

Continued 30 days

**Lauria, Anthony Jude – CGC1508461**

Appearance 1 of 4

Satisfactory

Probation Terminated

**Seldin, Joel – CGC4186, CGC1524082**

Appearance 3 of 4

Satisfactory

Early termination requested and approved

### **GENERAL SESSION**

The meeting was called to order by Michael Strickland, on September 16, 2022, at 8.30am – 9:52am. Michael Strickland gave the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

### **CHAIRMAN’S REPORT – MICHAEL STRICKLAND**

Mr. Strickland had nothing to report.

With nothing further to report the Board voted unanimously to approve this report.

### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT – DONALD SHAW**

Mr. Shaw had nothing to report.

With nothing further to report the Board voted unanimously to approve this report.

### **PROSECUTING ATTORNEY’S REPORT – IAN BROWN**

Mr. Brown provided an updated on his unit’s case load and staffing issues that his section is dealing with.

With nothing further to report the Board voted unanimously to approve this report.

### **HEARING AND PETITIONS**

#### **CLAYTON AMBOY – INFORMAL HEARING**

Mr. Amboy was present.

Mr. Dierlam presented this case stating Mr. Amboy’s application for a Certified Pool/Spa Servicing Contractor’s license was denied at the April 2022 meeting of the Board for failure to

demonstrate the required experience as required by section 489.111, Florida Statutes and Rule 61G4-15.001, Florida Administrative Code. The Notice of Intent to Deny was filed in May of 2022. Mr. Amboy timely requested an informal hearing.

After discussion the Board voted to vacate the previous denial and to approve the application.

#### **BARRY BREWER – INFORMAL HEARING**

Mr. Brewer was present.

Mr. Dierlam presented this case stating Mr. Brewer's application for a Certified Building Contractor's license was denied at the June 2022 meeting of the Board for failure to meet the requirements of section 489.115 (3)(d), Florida Statutes. The Notice of Intent to Deny was filed in July of 2022. Mr. Brewer timely requested an informal hearing.

After discussion the Board voted to vacate the previous denial and to approve the application as a downgrade to a Certified Residential Contractor's license.

#### **CRAIG GRAHAM – INFORMAL HEARING**

Mr. Graham was present.

Mr. Dierlam presented this case stating Mr. Graham's application for a Certified Plumbing Contractor's license was denied at the April 2022 meeting of the Board for failure to demonstrate the required experience as required by section 489.111, Florida Statutes and Rule 61G4-15.001, Florida Administrative Code, and for failure to demonstrate financial stability and responsibility as required by section 489.115, Florida Statutes, and Rule 61G4-15.006, Florida Administrative Code. The Notice of Intent to Deny was filed in May of 2022. Mr. Graham timely requested an informal hearing.

After discussion the Board voted to vacate the previous denial and to approve the application.

#### **ERIC JACKSON – INFORMAL HEARING**

Mr. Jackson was present.

Mr. Dierlam presented this case stating Mr. Jackson's application for a Certified General Contractor's license was denied at the June 2022 meeting of the Board for failure to demonstrate the required experience as required by section 489.111, Florida Statutes and Rule 61G4-15.001, Florida Administrative Code, and for failure to demonstrate he possesses good moral character as required by section 489.111, Florida Statutes. The Notice of Intent to Deny was filed in July of 2022. Mr. Jackson timely requested an informal hearing.

After discussion the Board voted to vacate the previous denial and to approve the application as a downgrade to a Certified Building Contractor's license.

## **VADIM LATYSHEVICH – INFORMAL HEARING**

Mr. Latyshevich was present.

Mr. Dierlam presented this case stating Mr. Latyshevich's application for a Certified Building Contractor's license was denied at the July 2022 meeting of the Board for failure to meet the requirements of section 489.115 (3)(d), Florida Statutes. The Notice of Intent to Deny was filed in August of 2022. Mr. Latyshevich timely requested an informal hearing.

After discussion the Board voted to vacate the previous denial and to approve the application as a downgrade to a Certified Residential Contractor.

## **FABIO MEIRELES – MOTION TO RECONSIDER**

Mr. Meireles was present with counsel.

Mr. Dierlam presented this case stating Mr. Meireles' application for a Certified Plumbing Contractor's license was denied at the April 2022 meeting of the Board for failure to demonstrate the required experience as required by section 489.111, Florida Statutes and Rule 61G4-15.001, Florida Administrative Code. The Notice of Intent to Deny was filed in May of 2022. Mr. Meireles timely requested a motion to reconsider the previously entered Notice of Intent to Deny.

After discussion the Board to vacate the previous denial and to approve the application.

## **DANIEL MERAZ – PETITION FOR VARIANCE AND WAIVER**

Mr. Meraz was not present.

Mr. Dierlam presented this case stating Mr. Meraz filed a petition for variance and waiver on July 18, 2022. The petition was noticed in the Florida Administrative Register on August 23, 2022. Mr. Dierlam noted the petitioner is seeking a variance or waiver of Rule 61G4-16.005, Florida Administrative Code, that states a passing examination grade shall be valid only for a period of four years from the date of the most recently passed portion of the exam.

After discussion the Board voted to deny the petition finding that the petitioner failed to establish that the Board's application of the Rule to the petitioner's circumstances would violate the principles of fairness or impose a substantial hardship.

## **LUIS NARANJO – INFORMAL HEARING**

Mr. Naranjo was present.

Mr. Dierlam presented this case stating Mr. Naranjo's application to qualify Interior Design & Development, LLC as an additional business entity was denied at the May 2022 meeting of the

Board for failure to demonstrate that he would be able to properly supervise the business as required by Section 489.119, Florida Statutes, and Rule 61G4-15.0024, Florida Administrative Code, and for failure to appear as required by Rule 61G4-15.0021, Florida Administrative Code. The Notice of Intent to Deny was filed in June of 2022. Mr. Naranjo timely requested an informal hearing.

After discussion the Board voted to vacate the previous denial and to approve the application.

### **RENE NOUSSIMIE-TOUKO – INFORMAL HEARING**

Mr. Noussimie-Touko was present with counsel.

Mr. Dierlam presented this case stating Mr. Nouisimie-Touko's application for a Certified Class B Air Conditioning Contractor's license was denied at the May 2021 meeting of the Board for failure to demonstrate financial stability and responsibility as required by section 489.115, Florida Statutes, and Rule 61G4-15.006, Florida Administrative Code. Mr. Noussimie-Touko requested an informal hearing.

After discussion the Board voted to vacate the previous denial and to approve the application.

### **PEBBLE STONE COATINGS, LLC – PETITION FOR DECLARATORY STATEMENT**

Counsel for the petitioner was present.

Mr. Dierlam presented this case stating the petitioner filed a petition for a declaratory statement on August 11, 2022. The petition was noticed in the Florida Administrative Register on August 16, 2022. Mr. Dierlam noted the petitioner is seeking a determination from the Board on whether or not a state contractor's license is required for the installation of the AquaFlex Pourous Surfacing System that the petitioner installs over existing structural decks and slabs installed by others.

After discussion the Board to deny the petition as the Board determined that the petitioner was attempting to use the petition as a means to determine the conduct of another person, that there was no controversy or question concerning the applicability of this statute when applied to the petitioner's circumstances, and because the petition presented issues that are substantially similar to those addressed by a previously entered declaratory statement.

### **JAMES SQUIRES – INFORMAL HEARING**

Mr. Squires was present.

Mr. Dierlam presented this case stating Mr. Squire's application for a Certified Commercial Pool/Spa Contractor's license was denied at the June 2022 meeting of the Board for failure to demonstrate the required experience as required by section 489.111, Florida Statutes and Rule

61G4-15.001, Florida Administrative Code. The Notice of Intent to Deny was filed in July of 2022. Mr. Squires timely requested an informal hearing.

After discussion the Board voted to uphold the previous denial of the application.

### **JAMES STRICKLAND – INFORMAL HEARING**

Mr. Strickland was present.

Mr. Dierlam presented this case stating Mr. Strickland's application for a Certified Roofing Contractor's license was denied at the June 2022 meeting of the Board for failure to demonstrate the required experience as required by section 489.111, Florida Statutes and Rule 61G4-15.001, Florida Administrative Code. The Notice of Intent to Deny was filed in July of 2022. Mr. Strickland timely requested an informal hearing.

After discussion the Board voted to uphold the previous denial of the application.

### **AARON SWEATT – INFORMAL HEARING**

Mr. Sweatt withdrew his request for a hearing.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **EXAMS/CE/PUBLIC AWARENESS COMMITTEE – EDWARD MCCULLERS**

Mr. McCullers gave the following report:

#### **! At Your Pace Online**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Course: 2018 IMC Update: **Denied**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Course: 2021 IMC Update Part 1: **Denied**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Course: Electric Safety (NFPA 70E): **Denied**
- 4<sup>th</sup> Course: Residential HVAC System Replacements: **Denied**

#### **International Code Council**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Course: 2021 IPC Critical Provisions: **Denied**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Course: Introduction to Backflow: **Approved**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Course: Preparing the Fire Service for Responses to Energy Storage Systems: **Approved**
- 4<sup>th</sup> Course: The 7 C's of Communication in a Digital Environment: **Denied**

#### **JC Code & Construction Consultants, Inc**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Course: NEC Article 250 – Grounding & Bonding: **Approved**

#### **Koning Enterprises Inc dba Contractors Institute**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Course: CILB Required Subject Areas: **Approved (contingent on ADA information)**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Course: Workers Compensation, Workplace Safety & Business Practices: **Approved**

**Marathon Electrical Contractors**

1<sup>st</sup> Course: Master Electrician CEU Training: **Denied**

**Titan Continuing Education, Inc.**

1<sup>st</sup> Course: Developing a Workplace Safety Training Program: **Approved**

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Removal of Board material from Laptops

Mr. Strickland requested the Board excuse absences for the following board members:

- Mr. Laney (unexcused)
- Mr. Lawson (unexcused)
- Mr. Maphis (excused)
- Mr. Strickland (partial) (excused)

**NEW BUSINESS**

The Secretary of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Melanie S. Griffin, spoke to the Board, thanking them for their service and dedication. She provided updates on the staffing issues within the Office of the General Counsel and within the Department as a whole; informed the Board that the Department had taken measures to address the delays in processing applications; informed the Board that the Department was continuing to explore options to increase the cap amounts for Recovery Fund claims; and provided an update on appointments to the Board.

Mr. Shaw also recognized in the audience former board member and board chair Lee-En Chung, and thanked her for her previous service.

*With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:56am.*