

**MINUTES**  
**SC Board of Architectural Examiners Board Meeting**  
**110 Centerview Drive, Lowcountry Conference Room, Columbia, SC 29210**  
**9:00 a.m., September 20, 2023**

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**Meeting Called to Order**

Charles Muldrow, Vice-Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. Other members participating were James Stevens, William Wes Lyles, Amanda Green and J. Sanders Tate.

Staff members participating in this meeting included Lenora Addison-Miles, Administrator; Alice DeBorde, Program Coordinator; Stacey Hewson, Advice Counsel; Shelby Sutusky, Disciplinary Counsel; Alice Douglas, Office of Disciplinary Counsel; and Tyler Livezey.

Creel Court Reporting Inc – Cortney N. Glover.

**Statement of Public Notice**

Mr. Muldrow announced that public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the S. C. Board of Architectural Examiners office, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, on the board website, and provided to all requesting persons, organizations, and news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

**Approval of the May 3, 2023, Meeting Minutes**

**Motion:** To approve the minutes as presented. Moved by Tate and seconded by Stevens, the motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Approval of Agenda**

**Motion:** To approve the agenda as submitted. Moved by Green and seconded by Stevens, the motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Approval of Excused Absences**

**Motion:** To excuse member Anthony Lawrence, from the meeting due to a prior commitment. Moved by Tate and seconded by Stevens, the motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Office of Investigations and Enforcement Report**

No report submitted this meeting.

**Investigative Review Conference Report**

No report submitted this meeting.

## **Office of Disciplinary Counsel Report**

As of September 19, 2023, six (6) cases have been opened, four (4) pending hearing and agreements and nine (9) have been closed since the last report and a total of thirteen (13) closed since January 1, 2023. The board accepted this as information.

## **Reports**

### **Administrator's Report**

#### **Number of Active Credentials by Prefix and Subcategory Board: ARCHITECT as of 9/11/2023**

<b>Credential</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Count</b>
<b>AR</b>	<b>Architect</b>	<b>4813</b>
<b>ARA</b>	<b>Partnership Firm</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>ARB</b>	<b>Business Corporation Firm</b>	<b>111</b>
<b>ARC</b>	<b>Professional Association Firm</b>	<b>61</b>
<b>ARD</b>	<b>Sole Proprietor Firm</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>ARF</b>	<b>Firms</b>	<b>1580</b>
	<b>Subt Total</b>	<b>6594</b>

#### **Licensure Statistics – Active licenses as of 9/11/2023**

**Number of Active Credentials by Prefix and Subcategory  
Board: ARCHITECT as of 9/20/2022**

<b>Credential</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Count</b>
<b>AR</b>	<b>Architect</b>	<b>4655</b>
<b>ARA</b>	<b>Partnership Firm</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>ARB</b>	<b>Business Corporation Firm</b>	<b>114</b>
<b>ARC</b>	<b>Professional Association Firm</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>ARD</b>	<b>Sole Proprietor Firm</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>ARF</b>	<b>Firms</b>	<b>1521</b>
	<b>Subt Total</b>	<b>6378</b>

**Financial Reports**

The board accepted as information the August 2023 Financial Reports.

**Board Reports**

Mr. Tate reported on the June 2023 NCARB Annual Meeting. Currently there will be no reorganization of Regions, this will continue to be an ongoing discussion with NCARB. All other Resolutions passed.

The board accepted this as information.

**Disciplinary Hearings**

**2021-36 J Grason Hudson III**

The proceeding was recorded by a court reporter in order to produce a verbatim transcript should one be necessary.

**J Grason Hudson, III** was not in attendance for the Hearing.

**Motion:** To proceed with the hearing in absence of the respondent since notice was properly served by regular and certified mail. Lyles/Sanders/Approved

**Motion:** To go into Executive Session for legal advice. Moved by Stevens and seconded by Green, the motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Motion:** To come out of Executive Session. Moved by Lyles and seconded by Stevens, the motion carried by unanimous vote.

No votes were taken on any matter during executive session.

**Motion:** Licensee violated 40-3-250(A), Regulation 11-8.1(C)(1) and 11-8.1(D) as charged. Issue a Public Reprimand and \$1000 fine. Moved by Tate and seconded by Stevens, the motion carried by unanimous vote.

### **2021-17 Tony Gibson**

The proceeding was recorded by a court reporter in order to produce a verbatim transcript should one be necessary.

**Tony Gibson** was not in attendance for the Hearing.

**Motion:** To proceed with the hearing in absence of the respondent since notice was properly served by regular and certified mail. Moved by Stevens and seconded by Lyles, the motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Motion:** To go into Executive Session for legal advice. Moved by Tate and seconded by Lyles, the motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Motion:** To come out of Executive Session. Moved by Tate and seconded by Lyles, the motion carried by unanimous vote.

No votes were taken on any matter during executive session.

**Motion:** State did not meet the burden of proof for violation of 40-1-110(1)(f). Licensee was found in violation of Regulation 11-12 since he did not respond to LLR, immediate suspension of his license until respondent can provide evidence of 24 hours of CE all in health, safety and welfare (HSW) and an additional six hours of pre-approved ethics training. Moved by Stevens and seconded by Lyles, the motion carried by unanimous vote.

### **Application Hearings**

No application hearings this meeting

### **New Business**

**Office of Investigations Reorganization** will be carried over to the November meeting.

### **Use of the word “Architectural” – Thomas H. Podhrazsky – Architectural Detailing**

The board reviewed an inquiry from Thomas H. Podhrazsky requesting the use of the word “Architectural” in his company name Architectural Detailing. Mr. Podhrazsky is interested in starting a new business in which he will offer services tailored towards designing architectural elements of buildings and houses. His work has involved designing and detailing elaborate paneled rooms, stained glass windows, staircases, fireplace overmantels, trim packages, garden walls, wrought iron gates and other similar elements.

**Motion:** To allow the use of the name Architectural Detailing for his company name. Moved by Green and seconded by Stevens, the motion carried by unanimous vote.

### **Funding Requests**

#### **American Institute of Architects (AIA) New Architects Luncheon & Keynote Address**

AIA Luncheon - The Board considered a request from American Institute of Architects SC Chapter (AIA) for \$5,000 for an annual celebration and recognition of newly licensed SC Architects, AXP Supervisors and the importance of licensure. This luncheon is open to all South Carolina licensees and will offer 1 hour of CE in health, safety and welfare (HSW).

**Motion:** To approve funding of \$5,000 to American Institute of Architects SC Chapter. The board requests that a member of the board attend the luncheon to discuss the role of the board and the importance of Ethics as it relates to licensure and the role as an architect. Moved by Tate and seconded by Stevens, the motion carried by unanimous vote..

### **Public Comments**

No public comments.

The next meeting of the SC Board of Architectural Examiners will be November 1, 2023.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting. Moved by Stevens and seconded by Tate, the motion carried by unanimous vote. The meeting adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice M. DeBorde  
Program Coordinator