



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF
ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS

IN THE MATTER OF

JOSEPH HOVANEK
License No. 6291 (Expired)

Administrative Action

FINAL ORDER
OF DISCIPLINE

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Electrical Contractors upon receipt of information which the Board has reviewed and on which the following findings of fact and conclusions of law are made;

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent was a licensed electrical contractor who has not renewed his license or business permit for the 2000-2003 renewal period the State of New Jersey. (Respondent would be able to renew his license at present merely by filing his renewal application and paying his renewal and reinstatement fees.)

2. The Board received a complaint dated May 22, 2000 with regard to respondent, and sent letters by certified and regular mail making inquiries with regard to the complaint on June 1, 2000 and July 6, 2000. The July 6, 2000 letter to respondent indicated that respondent was to reply within seven days following receipt of the letter. Certified mail was returned, marked "unclaimed," and the regular mail was not returned.

3. No response to the letters was received by the Board.

(Copy of certification attesting to the above facts annexed hereto and made a part hereof.)

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The above conduct constitutes a failure to cooperate with an investigation of the Board pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.2.

2. Respondent is subject to sanctions pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h), in that he failed to comply with an act or regulation administered by the Board.

Based on the foregoing findings and conclusions, a Provisional Order of Discipline was entered on October 24, 2000, imposing a civil penalty of \$1000.00 and directing respondent to return his pressure seal, and a copy was forwarded to respondent at the last known address on file with the Board. The Provisional Order was subject to finalization by the Board at 5:00 p.m. on the 30th business day following entry unless respondent requested a modification or dismissal of the stated Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law by submitting a written request for modification or dismissal setting forth in writing any and all reasons why said findings and conclusions should be modified or dismissed and submitting any and all documents or other written evidence supporting respondent's request for consideration and reasons therefor.

Although the Provisional Order sent by means of certified mail was returned as unclaimed, the regular mail was not returned. Because the Order was forwarded to respondent's address of record, the board deems service to have been effected. Accordingly, it determined that further proceedings were not necessary and that the Provisional Order should be made final.

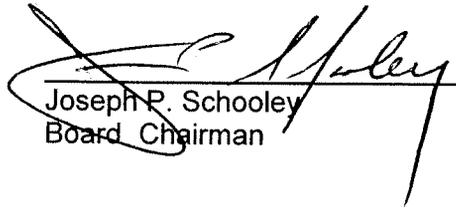
ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this 18th day of Jan. , 2001,
ORDERED that:

1. Respondent is hereby assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$1000.00.

2. Respondent is directed to return his pressure seal to the Board.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF
EXAMINERS OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS

By:



Joseph P. Schooley
Board Chairman



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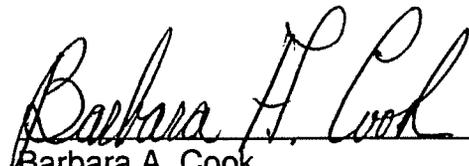
CERTIFICATION

I, Barbara A. Cook, am Executive Director of the New Jersey Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors. Further, I have been the custodian of the Board's records since June 29, 1999.

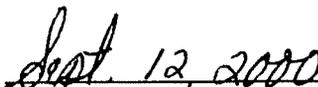
Office files indicate that Joseph Hovanec was issued license #6291 on June 1, 1980.

Office files also indicate that two letters dated June 1, 2000 and July 6, 2000, were sent certified mail and regular mail to Joseph Hovanec, License #6291(Expired), to the official address of record. No response has been received from Joseph Hovanec, License #6291.

I hereby certify that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that if any of the above allegations are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.



Barbara A. Cook
Executive Director



Date