

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE
LICENSE OF

EDMUND PETERWAS
License #8037

TO PRACTICE ELECTRICAL
CONTRACTING IN THE STATE
OF NEW JERSEY

Administrative Action

FINAL ORDER
OF DISCIPLINE

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors ("the Board") 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 is a licensed electrical contractor in the State of New Jersey, and has been a licensee at all times relevant hereto.

2. The Board received a complaint from Joseph B. Marretta, electrical inspector of Plainfield, New Jersey, alleging that respondent had signed and sealed a permit for electrical work to be performed at 325 East Fifth Street, Plainfield, NJ, which he, Mr. Marretta, inspected on August 15, 2002.

3. The inspector alleged that the electrical work he inspected was not done properly, and in fact presented a "high hazard."

4. The inspector stated that respondent had admitted to him that he signed

and sealed permit applications for one Jorge Contreras, unlicensed, and that he had not supervised Mr. Contreras at all as to the work done at 325 East Fifth Street, Plainfield.

5. In a letter to the Board dated October 8, 2002, respondent explained that Jorge Contreras had been his employee. Respondent admitted in his letter that "sometimes" he did not supervise Mr. Contreras when he worked for Sunrise Electric, Inc., respondent's company.

6. In testimony before the Board on May 21, 2003, respondent again admitted that he had not provided adequate supervision for Mr. Contreras.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Respondent's admitted conduct constituted a violation of N.J.A.C. 13:31-3.4, which requires a licensee whose license qualifies the holder of a business permit to engage in electrical contracting to assume full responsibility for supervision of electrical work. This subjects respondent to sanctions pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e) and (h),

Based on the foregoing findings and conclusions, a Provisional Order of Discipline was entered on July 2, 2003, assessing a civil penalty against respondent of \$1000, and a copy was forwarded to respondent's last known address by means of both regular and certified mail. 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.

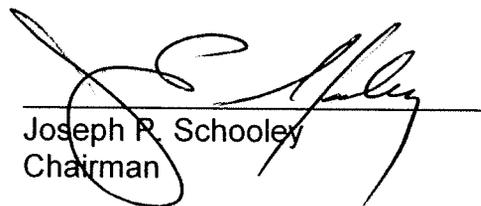
Although the record reflects that the Provisional Order was served upon respondent at his address of record with the Board, no response has been received to date. Accordingly, the Board considered the matter, determined that further proceedings were not necessary and that the Provisional Order should be made final.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this *1st* day of *October*, 2003,

ORDERED that:

1. Respondent is hereby assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$1000.
2. Payment shall be made in the form of a certified check or money order, made payable to the State of New Jersey, and forwarded to the attention of Barbara A. Cook, Executive Director, Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors, 124 Halsey Street, 6th Floor, P.O. Box 45006, Newark, NJ 07101.
3. Payment shall be made within 30 days following the entry of this Order, or a certificate of debt may be filed.

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS
OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS



Joseph R. Schooley
Chairman