

**Hearing Aid Dispensers
Examining Committee
Public Session Minutes
April 4, 2003**

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Jennifer Schaal, Jack Ivey, Charles Herb, David Weesner

ALSO PRESENT

Renee P. Clark, Executive Director
Debra Levine, Deputy Attorney General
Sonia Claudino, Administrative Staff

CALL TO ORDER

The regular bi-monthly meeting of the Hearing Aid Dispensers Examining Committee was called to order at 124 Halsey Street at 10:00 a.m., all members having been notified of the time, date, place and materials pertinent hereto having been provided.

SUNSHINE LAW

In compliance with Chapter 231 the Public Law of 1975, notice of this meeting was given by way to Trenton Times, the Star Ledger, the Courier-Post and the Record.

APPROVAL OF PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

JANUARY 10, 2003

A motion was made by Charles Herb to accept the minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Jack Ivey. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

FEBRUARY 7, 2003

A motion was made by Jennifer Schaal to accept the minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Jack Ivey. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Jennifer Schaal was nominated Committee President and Charles Herb, Secretary. Motion was made by Jack Ivey, and seconded by David Weesner. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

APPLICATIONS

a. Maria Breen- After review, the Committee denied licensure by endorsement. The Committee found that the State of New York does not require a practical examination, which is a necessary portion of the licensing examination in New Jersey. However, the Committee granted Ms. Breen permission to sit for the September licensing examination. The Committee also approved Ms. Breen for a Training Permit. Motion was made by David Weesner, and seconded by Charles Herb. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

b. Gina Matricardi- After review, the Committee denied licensure by endorsement but granted permission to take the licensing examination in September. The Committee also approved Ms. Matricardi for a Temporary License. Motion was made by David Weesner, and seconded by Charles Herb. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

c. Teresa Cannon-After review, the Committee denied licensure by endorsement. The Committee found that the State of New York does not require a practical examination, which is a necessary portion of the licensing examination in New Jersey. However, the Committee granted Ms. Cannon permission to sit for the September licensing examination. The Committee approved Ms. Cannon for a Training Permit. Motion was made by David Weesner, and seconded by Jack Ivey. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

d. James Calpin-After review, the Committee denied licensure by endorsement. The Committee found that the State of Pennsylvania does not require a practical examination, which is a necessary portion of the licensing examination in New Jersey. However, the Committee granted Mr. Calpin permission to sit for the September licensing examination. The Committee approved Mr. Calpin for a Temporary License. Motion was made by Charles Herb, and seconded by Jennifer Schaal. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSES

Sally Oakes, Continuing Education Coordinator at Sonus-The Committee reviewed the courses submitted and considers them as informational. The Committee does not approve or disapprove of these courses.

ASSEMBLY BILL, No. 3383

The Committee supports this bill in spirit but sees a problem with it in practice because if a licensee gives a home address as the address of record, it would be considered a public document.

NEW BUSINESS

Regulatory analyst Gene Brenycz appeared before the Committee to review the application for licensure. Motion was made by David Weesner, and seconded by Charles Herb to approve the application with minor changes. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Jennifer Schaal made a motion to proceed to Executive Session, seconded by Jack Ivey, to consider and review advertisement, consumer complaints and other information received pursuant to the Committee's investigative authority in order to determine whether violations of law, including Committee regulations, have occurred. The results of these deliberations will be made known when, and if, the Committee determines to initiate disciplinary or other enforcement actions. If the Committee chooses to issue a Uniform Penalty Letter, the action will be taken in Public Session immediately after the Executive Session.

Respectfully submitted
HEARING AID DISPENSERS EXAMINING COMMITTEE

Jennifer Schaal, President