

**STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF MASTER PLUMBERS  
# 518 - BUSINESS MEETING - AGENDA - NOVEMBER 17, 2005**

MEETING SCHEDULED TIME: 9:00 AM ~ SOMERSET ROOM - 6 TH FL.

ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS ~

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES ~ OCTOBER 27, 2005, MEETING

**BOARD BUSINESS**

Documentation is provided on all matters unless otherwise noted.

PRESENT BOARD MEMBERS -&- CAPACITIES:

MARK MC MANUS ~ CHAIRMAN, JOURNEYMAN PLUMBER

MARGARET SIEB ~ SECRETARY, PUBLIC MEMBER

RALPH WETZEL ~ VICE-CHAIRMAN ~ MASTER PLUMBER MEMBER

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MICHAEL K. MALONEY ~ MASTER PLUMBER MEMBER

MICHAEL L. SESTANOVICH ~ INSPECTOR MEMBER

DONALD B. DILEO ~ PUBLIC MEMBER

COMMISSIONER ADAM J. SABATH ~ STATE MEMBER, NJ DEPT OF LABOR

**1. CONTINUING EDUCATION AUDIT**

CONCLUSION OF AUDIT 2003-2005

MARCH 25, 2004 - OCT. 27, 2005

The State Board of Examiners of Master Plumbers has been reporting on its audit of the 2003-2005 five (5) hour CE biennial renewal requirement by providing all disciplinary statistics in Open Public Session since the March 25, 2004 meeting.

As a result of the CE disciplinary actions issued to date, the Board has collected civil penalties totaling updated on October 31, 2005, and stenographic costs in the amount of \$690.59--- based solely on the audit of 460 randomly selected Licensed Master Plumbers

Further disciplinary actions are underway by way of Provisional and Final Orders of Discipline issued by the Board and developed by the Division of Law.

On October 27, 2005, Deputy Attorney General (DAG) Joseph A. Donofrio advised that he is presently working on the remaining (31) cases to conclude this portion of the 2003-2005 CE audit. The Board reiterated that they wished to complete the 2003-2005 audit before initiating any steps toward an audit for 2005-2007 CE compliance.

**\$250.00 PENALTY PAYMENT - 10-31-2005 ~ LICENSEE MIDDLETON**

(A) "Unacceptable Response" category CE AUDIT:

Reason: The explanation for not attending CE had been denied.

On October 31, 2005, Licensee Feldman Middleton, LMP # 7026 submitted \$250 of the \$500 penalty payment due

— with a written agreement to submit the balance of \$250 by November 10, 2005. Licensee Middleton had attended his make up course on 4/19/2004. {No documents}

## 2. DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS DIVISION OF CODES AND STANDARDS

### MEMORANDUM DATED OCT. 7, 2005 MEGAN K. SULLIVAN, DRAFT AGENDA & APPROVED MINUTES

#### 3. BOARD REQUEST for CONTINUING EDUCATION TOPICS 2007-2009 BIENNIAL REQUIREMENT

On October 27, 2005, Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst, the Division of Consumers Affairs, was in attendance to review the responses received at the Board from many of the CE Instructors.

Subsequent to a review of these suggestions, a motion was made by Ralph Wetzel and seconded by Michael Maloney, to incorporate all of the suggestions presented by Sponsors Mitchell, Damon, Hiler and Stepler. A vote was taken and the motion unanimously passed.

On November 17, 2005, the Board will review the final notice provided by Chuck Manning, planned for printing in the New Jersey Register, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:32-6.3 (b), Required Course topics.

Note: Bruce U. Negri, Middlesex County Vocational Schools, submits a letter dated October 26, 2005, suggesting three (3) additional topics.

The Board is requested to consider whether or not these topics should be included in the curriculum planned for 2007-2009.

#### 4. DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Reporting penalty and payment of \$750.00

PAID IN FULL ON 10-31-2005

T/A ROK Home Improvements

Uniform Penalty Letter {UPL} in lieu of  
FORMAL DISCIPLINARY COMPLAINT Violations of ~

N.J.A.C. 13:32-3.1 (a) - (e) Identification of Licensed Master Plumber; vehicles; stationery; advertising;  
N.J.A.C. 13:32-4.1 Requirement of pressure seal; penalties for misuse; return of pressure seal

In addition to the disciplinary action, Mr. Bell was advised that his Master Plumber's license had expired since he had failed to renew his license for 2005-2007.

The State Board of Examiners of Master Plumbers ("the Board") has had an opportunity to review information concerning a complaint where an advertisement was submitted by Atlantic City Construction Officials dated March 3, 2005. A business card was presented bearing "Russell Oatman" Owner of "ROK Home Improvements" for plumbing services; however, the card did not bear the name or identity of Albert Bell as the Licensed Master Plumber.

The Board established Mr. Bell's failure to fully comply with N.J.A.C. 13:32-3.1 (a) - (e) Identification of Licensed Master Plumber; vehicles; stationery; advertising, and issued a \$250.00 penalty.

Upon review of all available information, the Board has preliminarily found that Mr. Bell also violated N.J.A.C. 13:32-4.1 Requirement of pressure seal; penalties for misuse; return of pressure seal for presenting an invalid seal on a plumbing permit application on July 6, 2004, to Officials of Atlantic City, NJ, and issued a \$500 penalty. On

October 31, 2005, Albert Bell submitted the full payment of \$750.00, and he is being processed for reinstatement.

5. Barbara A. Cook, Executive Director, reserves a portion of Open Public Session to review some pending issues with the Board. {No documents}

It is noted that applications for the Master Plumber's examination and Master Plumber's business registration forms are reviewed by Board Members during the course of each business meeting.