

**STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF MASTER PLUMBERS
531 - BUSINESS MEETING - AGENDA - JANUARY 25, 2007**

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

ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS

- and -

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES of the DECEMBER 21, 2006 MEETING

BOARD BUSINESS

Documentation is provided on all matters unless otherwise noted.

PRESENT BOARD MEMBERS - &- CAPACITIES

MARK MC MANUS ~ CHAIRMAN, JOURNEYMAN PLUMBER

RALPH WETZEL ~ VICE-CHAIRMAN ~ MASTER PLUMBER MEMBER

MAYOR PETER I. VOROS ~ MASTER PLUMBER MEMBER

MICHAEL K. MALONEY ~ MASTER PLUMBER MEMBER

MICHAEL L. SESTANOVICH ~ INSPECTOR MEMBER

DONALD B. DILEO ~ PUBLIC MEMBER

PAUL N. BONTEMPO - PUBLIC MEMBER

ADAM J. SABATH ~ STATE MEMBER - CHIEF OF STAFF
TO SENATE PRESIDENT RICHARD J. CODEY

1. DIVISION OF LAW BILLING, DARLENE KANE, BUDGET OFFICER
NOVEMBER 20, 2006 - FIRST QUARTER OF FY 2007

2. Advertising letter issued - advertising plumbing services without licensure:
"ANDY ON CALL" 1609 Vauxhall Road, Union, NJ 07083;
JEREMY GUTIERREZ sends correction dated November 28, 2006

3. CONTINUING EDUCATION AUDIT
CONCLUSION OF AUDIT 2003-2005

The State Board of Examiners of Master Plumbers will continue to report on the conclusion of its audit of 2003-2005 CE requirements. Recent developments include:

One penalty payment in the amount of \$1,500 , Check # 1242 dated January 05, 2007, was submitted by licensee STEEVIE A HILL, LMP # 11106, for his violation of CE regulations during the 2003-2005 biennial. The original penalty had been reduced by the Board on December 16, 2004 to \$3,500 since the licensee proved attendance at a CE makeup course held on May 22, 2004. Mr. Hill's penalty is now paid in full, and the matter is closed. (No documents)

Total 2003- 2005 AUDIT penalties collected:

Total 2003-2005 AUDIT costs collected:

These figures were updated January 15, 2007 (No documents)

4. WEBSITE INQUIRY FROM GUY BRAMONTE
NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL
HUMAN RESOURCE CONSULTANT

ADDRESSED TO EX. DIRECTOR BARBARA A. COOK

"...County would like to employ a State Certified Master Plumber...."

5. For the information of the Board, no comments have been submitted in response to the below publications...

The comment period will end on February 2, 2007 re:

CHARLES MANNING, REGULATORY ANALYST
ÿPUBLISH DATE: DECEMBER 4, 2006

On November 30, 2006, the Board acknowledged the below publications:

LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY - DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF MASTER PLUMBERS
REQUIREMENT OF PRESSURE SEAL; PENALTIES FOR MIS-USE
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS: N.J.A.C. 13:32-4.1 & 5.1

LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY - DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF MASTER PLUMBERS
SCOPE OF PRACTICE
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS: 13:32-1.4

(No documents)

#6. Issued via "UPS 2nd day air"

FINAL ORDERS OF DISCIPLINE were prepared by Counseling Deputy Joseph A. Donofrio and filed on December 19, 2006, by Executive Director Barbara A. Cook:

In the Matter of:
JASON A. ALBERTI, LMP # 11725

Respondent's license to practice plumbing in the State of New Jersey is SUSPENDED unless or until he furnishes the Board with a copy of his CE certificate documenting attendance of five (5) hours of CE for 2003-2005. Respondent is assessed a \$4,000 penalty; consisting of \$1,000 for failing to provide a copy of a CE certificate; \$1,000 for failing to cooperate with the Board audit / not responding to the requests for information; a \$1,000 penalty for failing to appear for the May 4, 2004 inquiry and a \$1,000 penalty for indicating on his renewal application that he will complete CE by June 30, 2003, when in fact, he had failed to do so. Any practice of plumbing may be considered unlicensed practice, and the Board may impose restrictions in the event of reinstatement.

Respondent submits a reply dated January 8, 2007, reserved -Executive Closed Session.

In the Matter of:
STEEVIE A. HILL, LMP # 11106

Respondent submitted a 2003-2005 CE certificate and completed the May 22, 2004 make-up course; therefore, the Board assessed no suspension. However, he had not provided adequate justification for his failure to respond to Board requests regarding CE requirements and failure to appear for the May 4, 2004

inquiry. A \$3,500 penalty was proposed for failure to cooperate /appear, and failure to comply with Board directives. Mr. Hill paid this penalty in full. This matter is CLOSED. _____

In the Matter of:

NICHOLAS F. PALMIERI, LMP # 5452

Respondent's license to practice plumbing in the State of New Jersey is hereby SUSPENDED unless or until he furnishes the Board with a copy of his CE certificate exhibiting his five (5) hours of CE requirements for biennial 2003-2005. Respondent is assessed a penalty in the aggregate amount of \$4,000 consisting of: \$1,000 penalty for failing to provide his certificate; \$1,000 for failing to cooperate with the audit; \$1,000 failure to appear for the May 4, 2004 inquiry as invited; and a \$1,000 penalty for indicating "yes" on his renewal for fulfilling CE requirements and not having done so. Any practice of plumbing may be considered unlicensed practice and the Board may impose restrictions in the event of reinstatement.

In the Matter of:

MICHAEL J. DI VINCENT, LMP # 9307

Respondent's license to practice plumbing in the State of New Jersey is hereby SUSPENDED by this order unless or until he furnishes the Board with evidence of his completion of CE for biennial 2003-2005. He is assessed a penalty in the aggregate amount of \$4,000, consisting of \$1,000 for failing to provide a CE certificate for this biennial; a \$1,000 penalty for failure to cooperate with the audit requests for information; \$1,000 for failure to appear at the May 4, 2004 inquiry held for this audit; and a \$1,000 penalty for responding that he will complete the CE hours by June 30, 2003, when he failed to do so. Any practice of plumbing may be considered unlicensed practice and the Board may impose restrictions in the event of reinstatement.

In the Matter of:

CHARLES WINTHER, JR., LMP # 6710

Respondent is assessed a penalty in the aggregate amount of \$3,500, consisting of a \$500 penalty for originally failing to provide a copy of his CE certificate for 2003- 2005 (penalty reduced from \$1,000 since provided proof of attendance at a make-up course held on November 13, 2004.) He was assessed a \$1,000 penalty for failing to cooperate with the Board audit and request for information; a \$1,000 penalty for failing to appear at the inquiry scheduled for CE compliance on May 4, 2004, and a \$1,000 penalty for completing his renewal form indicating his attendance at CE when he had failed to do so.

In the Matter of:

JOHN C. HITCHNER, LMP # 4274

Respondent's license to practice plumbing in the State of New Jersey is SUSPENDED by this order unless or until he furnishes the Board with a copy of his CE certificate documenting that he completed five hours of CE for biennial 2003-2005. Respondent is assessed a penalty in the aggregate amount of \$4,000 consisting of \$1,000 for failing to provide his CE certificate; a \$1,000 penalty for failure to cooperate with the Board's audit providing information; a \$1,000 penalty for failing to appear at the inquiry held for CE on May 4, 2004, and a \$1,000 penalty for falsely completing his renewal indicating he completed CE when he had not done so. Any practice of plumbing may be considered unlicensed practice and the Board may impose restrictions in the event of reinstatement.

In the Matter of:

IVAN VOLARIC, LMP # 6379

Respondent is assessed a penalty in the aggregate amount of \$3,500 consisting of a \$500 penalty for failing to provide his CE certificate– (reduced from \$1,000 when the licensee proved attendance at a make-up course.) He was assessed a \$1,000 penalty for failing to cooperate with the Board's CE audit by not responding to the requests for information; a \$1,000 penalty for failing to appear at the inquiry held May 4,

2004, and a \$1,000 penalty for falsely indicating on his renewal that he fulfilled the CE requirement by June 30, 2003 when he had not done so.

7. Ms. Barbara A. Cook, Ex Director
{No documents}

7A. Request for re-approval PETER T. SIMCHERA, SPONSOR #18
INSTRUCTOR # 30, LMP # 5021

IN ADVANCE OF THE 2007-2009 MASTER PLUMBER'S
BIENNIAL / CE REQUIREMENT PERIOD COURSES TAUGHT 2005-2007

The Board will review the resume and course outline of the above licensee who has expressed interest in teaching(CE) for the 2007- 2009 biennial.

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.