

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION  
DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION  
PRIVATE DETECTIVE, PRIVATE ALARM, PRIVATE SECURITY,  
FINGERPRINT VENDOR AND LOCKSMITH BOARD BUSINESS MEETING

***Open Minutes***

Date: October 8, 2024  
Convened: 10:09 am  
Adjourned: 11:08 am  
Location: Springfield/Chicago/WEBEX

Members Present: Edward Bonifas, Chair  
David Pack, Member  
Anthony Calderone, Member  
Dean Gluth, Member  
Ray Palys, Member  
Scott Penny, Member  
Michael Verden, Member

Member(s) Absent: Tony Majka, Vice-Chair  
James Taff, Member  
Anne Gruber, Member  
Aimee Lipkis, Public Member

Staff Present: Kyle Lazell, Board Liaison  
Mark Thompson, General Counsel  
Lori Heyen, PSS Section Office Administrator

Guests Present: Fred Nickl  
Bill Cisar

Open Session: The Meeting was called to order at 10:09 a.m.  
Roll Call: The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.

**1. Approve Minutes** The Board reviewed the open minutes of the May 30, 2024, meeting. Motion was made, seconded (Calderone/Gluth) to approve the open minutes of the meeting as presented. Motion passed with a quorum of members.

**2. Guest comments** Mr. Nickl shared the test prep course is continuing. Additionally, he shared that Mr. Cisar recently joined his company and that they are interested in hearing an update on the licensing processing timeframes.

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### 3. Old Business

#### A. PERC/FCC Processing

Mr. Lazell shared the department increased the number of staff assigned to processing these professions during July & August to assist with applications received specific to the Democratic National Convention.

Additionally, he shared that DPR has begun working on phase one of the new Comprehensive Online Regulatory Environment "CORE" Licensing system with their vendor. He noted DPR is developing the prioritization list of applications for Phase two - migrating the current paper-based applications to the new system as an online application.

Further, he indicated the project is scheduled to take at least two years and the new system would enable licensees to reinstate/restore the license online.

Mr. Thompson commented that our current system was designed specifically for internal use only. It was never designed to enable external access or use.

#### B. Sunset Reauthorization Act of 2023

Mr. Bonifas requested this topic be removed from the agenda.

#### C. Biometric Information Privacy Act

Mr. Palys presented a report to bring awareness to the Board. The Board discussed the topic and determined an action item was needed to coordinate efforts with the applicable associations to lobby together.

### 4. New Business

#### A. Election of Officers

Mr. Lazell provided the statutory requirements for electing the Chair and Vice-Chair.

Mr. Gluth nominated Mr. Bonifas as Chair; Mr. Bonifas accepted the nomination. Motion was made, seconded (Gluth/Ray) to close the nominations.

Mr. Bonifas was re-elected as Chair by acclamation.

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Mr. Calderone nominated Mr. Pack as Vice-Chair; Mr. Pack accepted the nomination. Motion was made, seconded (Calderone/Gluth) to close the nominations.

Mr. Pack was elected as Vice-Chair by acclamation.

**Motion to move into  
Closed Session:**

Motion was made, seconded (Gluth/Verden) to move into Closed Session pursuant to Section 2c (4) & (15) of the Open Meetings Act at 10:48 am. Motion passed with a unanimous vote of members via roll call.

**5. Closed Session:**

A. Deliberations

*Deliberations were held in closed session on cases presented to the Board.*

B. Review of Closed Minutes

*The Board reviewed the closed minutes of the May 30, 2024, meeting.*

**Moved back into Open  
Session:**

Board Chair adjourned the Closed Session and moved the meeting back into Open Session at 10:50 am.

**6. Motions**

Accept recommendations for  
indefinite suspension:

The Board reviewed 2 default cases and moved to indefinitely suspend for a minimum of 30 days. A summary of the names for the cases is included. Motion was made, seconded (Calderone/Gluth) to accept the recommendations made in closed session. Motion passed with a quorum of members.

Accept recommendation to lift  
stay and suspend license:

The Board reviewed 1 case and moved to lift the stay and suspend the license. The name for the case is included. Motion was made, seconded (Calderone/Palys) to accept the recommendation made in closed session. Motion passed with a quorum of members.

Accept close minutes and  
keep minutes closed:

Motion was made, seconded (Calderone/Pack) to approve the closed minutes as presented and keep them closed. Motion passed with a quorum of members.

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- Direct board chair to sign on behalf of the board: Motion was made, seconded (Calderone/Pack) to direct the Board Chair to sign the findings of facts and action sheets, on behalf of the Board. Motion passed with a quorum of members.
- 7. Board Chair Time** Mr. Bonifas thanked the Board for their faith in him to continue serving as Chair of the Board.
- 8. Liaison Time**
- A. Personnel Changes Mr. Lazell shared that Lori Heyen has been promoted and will serve as the Board Liaison for the detective board beginning November 1, 2024.
- B. Travel Vouchers Mr. Lazell reminded the members to send him their travel vouchers if they'd like to be reimbursed for today's meeting.
- C. Next Meeting Mr. Lazell reminded the Board that the next meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2025.
- 10. Adjournment** Motion was made, seconded (Calderone/Palys) to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed with a quorum of members.
- Meeting adjourned at 11:08 am.

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Exceptions and Comments

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Deliberations-Let it be noted for the record that the Director's decision regarding disciplinary matters is withheld from the minutes and rendered at the time the Board presents their Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommendations.

Names referenced in cases deliberated and applications reviewed for this meeting:

Clark, Tamesha 2022-6434  
Johnson, Autaya 2023-6545

The consensus on the above default cases was to Indefinitely suspend PERC minimum of 30 days.

Wallace, Dominique 2021-4787, 4788, 4790 – Reviewed application and ALJ decision.  
Consensus to agree with ALJ decision to lift the stay and suspend the license.