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ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION (IDFPR) DIVISION OF REAL ESTATE (DRE)

AUCTION ADVISORY BOARD

OPEN MINUTES

Date: December 17, 2024

Call to Order: 11:02 a.m. – Jessica Doerr-Berger

Illinois Department of Financial and
Professional Regulation (IDFPR)/Division of Real Estate (DRE)

Location: Illinois Department of Financial and
Professional Regulation “IDFPR” /Division of Real Estate
“DRE”
555 West Monroe Street, 5th Floor, Conference Room 5C5
Chicago, Illinois 60661
And
Via Interactive Video Conference at IDFPR
320 West Washington Street, 2nd Floor, Conference Room 258
Springfield, Illinois 62786

Board Members Present: Jessica Doerr-Berger, James Rodney Laningham, Gwendolene
Newton, Thomas Walsh

Staff Members Present: Adrienne Levatino – Associate General Counsel, Nathaniel
Chandler - Chief of Licensing and Education, Merle Shearer –
Chief of Prosecutions, Hector Rodriguez – Chief of
Investigations, Daniel Kazlauski – Staff Attorney, Stephen
Kehoe – Staff Attorney, Kim Prickett – Operations Manager,
Debra Malinowski – Board Liaison, Susan Sigourney – Auction
Board Liaison

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Call to Order	<p>Chairperson Jessica Doerr-Berger called the meeting to order.</p> <p>Roll Call: Jessica Doerr-Berger – present James Rodney Laningham– present Gwendolene Newton – present Thomas Walsh – present</p> <p>Kim Prickett, the new Operations Manager for the Division of Real Estate, was introduced to the Board.</p>	<p>The meeting was called to order at 11:02 a.m.</p>
Review and Approval of Open Minutes	<p>The Board reviewed the Open Minutes from the August 27, 2024, Auction Board meeting.</p>	<p>A motion was made by Walsh and seconded by Laningham to approve the Open Minutes from the August 27, 2024, Auction Advisory Board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.</p>
Public Comments	<p>There were no members of the public present.</p>	
Licensing and Education Report	<p>The 2024 Licensing Report for activity conducted in November was presented and discussed. A copy of the report is attached to and made part of these minutes.</p> <p>Nathaniel Chandler updated the Board on the auction license renewal that is currently in progress. Nathaniel Chandler said the renewal deadline is December 31, 2024, and at this time 35% of individual auctioneers have renewed and 44% of auction firms have renewed. The licensees have until December 31, 2024, to renew online. The online renewal will remain available for another month after the deadline; however, a late fee will be assessed. Once the online renewal closes, the</p>	

	<p>auctioneers may renew with a paper renewal application that is available on the IDFPR website. They may pay via ePay for the renewal and the late fee, and then email the completed renewal application to FPR.realestate@illinois.gov.</p>	
Investigations Report	<p>The 2024 Auction Investigations Report through the month of November was presented and distributed. A copy of the report is attached to and made a part of these minutes.</p>	
Prosecutions Report	<p>The 2024 Auction Prosecutions Report through the month of November was presented and distributed. A copy of the report is attached to and made part of these minutes.</p>	
Formal Hearing Schedule	<p>There were no formal hearings scheduled.</p>	
Old Business	<p>There was no Old Business to discuss.</p>	
New Business:	<p>The Board discussed and approved the 2025 Auction Board meeting schedule.</p>	
Motion to go into Closed Session	<p>Roll Call Vote taken: Jessica Doerr-Berger – yes James Rodney Laningham – yes Gwendolene Newton - yes Thomas Walsh - yes</p>	<p>A motion was made by Walsh seconded by Laningham to go into Closed Session pursuant to Section 2 (c) (4) and (15) of the Open Meetings Act at 11:13 a.m. The motion carried by roll call vote.</p>
Closed Session	<p>The Board reviewed the August 27, 2024, Closed Minutes.</p>	

	The Board deliberated on pending disciplinary actions.	
<p>Motion to go into Open Session</p> <p>Approval of August 27, 2024, Closed Minutes</p> <p>Ratify the Board's actions.</p> <p>Closed Minutes Remain Closed</p> <p>Recommendations</p>	<p>1 Case was deliberated during Closed Session.</p> <p>IDFPR v. Monte W. Lowderman and Jackie L. Lowderman Case #2021-06791</p>	<p>A motion was made by Walsh and seconded by Laningham to go into Open Session at 11:44 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>A motion was made by Laningham and seconded by Newton to approve the Auction Advisory Board Closed Minutes from August 27, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>A motion was made by Newton and seconded by Walsh to ratify the Board's actions taken in Closed Session. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>A motion was made by Walsh and seconded by Newton that all minutes of the Closed Sessions of the Appraisal Board remain closed. The motion carried by roll call vote.</p> <p>The Board recommends revoking Monte W. Lowderman's auction license and imposing a fine of \$3,000 and revoking Jackie L. Lowderman's auction license and imposing a fine of \$1,000.</p>

<p>The Board signed 1 Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommendation to the Director</p> <p>Orders</p>	<p>There was one Consent Order reviewed in Closed Session.</p>	<p>IDFPR v. Monte W. Lowderman and Jackie L. Lowderman, Case# 2021-06791.</p> <p>The Board did not sign this Consent Order.</p>
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>The next meeting is scheduled for February 25, 2025.</p>	<p>There being no further business to conduct, a motion was made by Walsh and seconded by Laningham to adjourn at 11:50 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.</p>

2024 Licensing Report

December 2024

Prepared by Nathaniel Chandler

Filtered By

- Board = AUCTIONEER
- START DATE = 10/01/2024
- END DATE = 11/30/2024

12/15/2024 at 9:43:08 AM

Profession	ProfessionDescription	Sponsor_Chg	Applications	Initial_lic	Transitions	Renewals	Active_Licenses
440	Licensed Auctioneer	0	0	0	0	62	239
441	Licensed Auctioneer	1	4	8	0	156	752
444	Licensed Auction Firm	0	1	1	0	62	198
445	Licensed Auction CE School	0	0	0	0	0	6
446	Licensed Auction CE Course	0	0	0	0	0	42
Totals		1	5	9	0	280	1,237

From: 10/1/2024 To: 10/31/2024

		Pass		Fail	
		N	%	N	%
IL Auctioneer Examination	First Time	1	100.00	0	0.00
	Repeat	0	0.00	0	0.00
	Total	1	100.00	0	0.00

From: 11/1/2024 To: 11/30/2024

		Pass		Fail	
		N	%	N	%
IL Auctioneer Examination	First Time	1	20.00	4	80.00
	Repeat	1	33.33	2	66.67
	Total	2	25.00	6	75.00



AUCTION PROSECUTIONS REPORT 2024

November

	Pending Open Cases	Formal Complaints Filed	New Cases Rec'd / reopen	2 months or less	cases over 2 months	cases over 6 months	cases over 9 months	cases over 12 months	cases over 24 months	CLOSED	CLOSED Admin	CLOSED Admin Warn Letter	Closed CE with memo	CLOSED Formal Order	CLOSED: Consent Order	CLOSED: Non-Disc Order	IL Inc Tax	Motion for Rehearing filed
JANUARY	16	1	3	3	2	3	6	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEBRUARY	15	0	0	3	1	3	5	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
MARCH	15	2	1	1	2	4	5	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
APRIL	13	0	1	1	1	2	1	7	1	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
MAY	13	0	1	2	1	2	0	7	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
JUNE	11	1	0	1	1	2	1	5	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
JULY	11	3	0	0	2	1	2	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AUGUST	10	1	0	0	1	2	0	6	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEPTEMBER	10	0	0	0	1	2	0	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OCTOBER	11	0	2	2	0	2	0	6	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
NOVEMBER	11	1	0	2	0	2	0	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DECEMBER										0								
TOTAL		9	8							10	2	0	0	1	4	2	1	0