

**MINUTES FOR BOARD MEETING OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE,  
INTERIOR DESIGN AND RESIDENTIAL DESIGN (NSBAIDRD)**

**October 23, 2024**

The Gina Spaulding Boardroom  
2080 East Flamingo Road, Suite 120, Las Vegas, NV 89119

**Wednesday, October 23, 2024**

Chairman Greg Erny called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

Board members present: Gregory Erny (Chairman), William Snyder (Secretary/Treasurer), Daniel Coletti, George Garlock, Chelsea Lavell, James Mickey, Nathaniel Waugh, Tina Wichmann and Marie Wikoff.

Also in attendance: Monica Harrison (Executive Director), Louis Ling (Legal Counsel), Laura Bach (Chief Investigator), Stacey Hatfield (Public Information Officer), and Leilani Quenga (Licensing Specialist / Bookkeeper).

**NSBAIDRD Mission Statement:**

“The mission of the NSBAIDRD is to promote, preserve, and protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public by regulating architects, registered interior designers, and residential designers to provide competent professional services in the built environment.”

**AGENDA ITEM 1          Public comment**

There was no public comment.

**AGENDA ITEM 2          Approval of consent agenda**

Consent agenda included the following:

- A. Approval of Agenda
- B. Approval of Minutes: August 21, 2024
- C. Secretary/Treasurer Report (Reports and bank statements)
  1. Nevada Architect, Registered Interior Designer and Residential Designer Licensing Statistics
  2. Wells Fargo Bank Statements
  3. Bank of Nevada Statements
  4. First Independent Bank Statements
- D. Ratification of Reciprocal Licenses (see attached list)
- E. Firm Name Approval Requests
  1. Skyterra LLC
  2. MA West, LLC
  3. SVENDESIGN STUDIO
  4. Arcadis Nevada Corp.
  5. Marshall Cowan Office of Architecture LLC
  6. GWA Architecture, Inc.
  7. C&C Architecture Studio, LLC
  8. Arketeks, An architectural Corporation

9. Prototype Design, Professional Limited Liability Company
  10. Project Luong Architects, LLC
  11. BDG| Boduch Design Group, Inc.
  12. M.R.W. Design Associates Inc.
  13. OneFourTwo Architecture, P.C.
- F. Firm Registration Approval Requests
1. SERA Nevada, Inc.
  2. PE Architects NV, LLC
  3. BHDP Professional Corporation

**Architects: Registration by Reciprocity**

9528	Wayne Scott Winger	9544	Sven Staffan Svenson	9560	Thomas Lee
9529	Kara Eberle-Lott	9545	Paul Woehl	9561	Aran A. McCarthy
9530	Joshua N. Bennett	9546	Tom Dillenbeck	9562	Brandon L. Ruhl
9531	David Hanawalt	9547	Celestia Carson	9563	Elvis J. Cale
9532	Gauri S Rajbaidya	9548	Whitney M. Ward	9564	Laura C Dougherty
9533	Ronald Bruce Eckels III	9549	Joseph Vito Di Giorgio	9565	Steven A. de Laurentiis
9534	David Noel Peartree	9550	Brian Choquette	9566	Gary H. Wang
9535	George Louis Mock	9551	Grant W. Alexander	9567	Michael J. DeVere
9536	Travis J. Willson	9552	David S. Cox	9568	Daniel Maher
9537	Andy Lau	9553	Joseph Patrick Rydman	9569	Kui-Mew Wong
9538	Jason Michael Garza	9554	William R. Thomas	9570	Kallie Ogi
9539	Patrick A. Lankey	9555	Emily Ilene Howard	9574	Scott Andrew Boduch
9540	Albert Choi Lee	9556	Scott F. McColl	9575	Peter J Koehler
9541	James Wesley Dean	9557	Pablo Gotay	9576	Peter Norris
9542	Cynthias Elizabeth Kwan Knotz	9558	Karen Montana	9577	Matthew Marc Grunert
9543	Eric Dinges	9559	R. Christopher Gray	9578	Kristin Kolowich John

**Residential Designers: Registration by Reciprocity**

457-RD Chad Evan Willis      459-RD Brian Jeff Grill

Wichmann said she will not be voting on 2E-12.

**Motion:** Snyder moved to approve the consent agenda. Motion seconded by Waugh.

**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

**AGENDA ITEM 4      Review and possible decision regarding restoration of registration of Paul  
Brendan pursuant to NRS 623.260 and NAC 623.280**

Harrison presented the application for restoration.

**Motion:** Snyder moved to approve the restoration of registration of Paul Brendan. Motion seconded by Waugh.

**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

**AGENDA ITEM 7                      Review and approval of the 5-year budget projection for FY 2025-2029**

Harrison presented the 5-year budget projection for FY 2025-2029.

**Motion:** Snyder moved to approve the proposed FY 2025-2029 budget projections. Motion seconded by Waugh.

**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

**AGENDA ITEM 3A                      Deliberations/Action on Applications for Registration: Architects**

Erny greeted the attendees and explained the swearing-in process and ceremony.

Snyder swore-in the following individuals as architects:

- 1. Yingjia Wang ..... 9571
- 2. Armen Megerdooomian ..... 9572
- 3. Rhys L. Williams ..... 9573

**Motion:** Waugh moved to approve the registration of the above referenced individuals as architects. Motion seconded by Mickey.

**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

**AGENDA ITEM 3B                      Deliberations/Action on Applications for Registration: Registered Interior Designers**

Wikoff swore-in the following individual as a registered interior designer:

- 1. Christopher Sommers..... 319-ID

**Motion:** Waugh moved to approve the registration of the above referenced individual as a registered interior designer. Motion seconded by Wichmann.

**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

**AGENDA ITEM 3B                      Deliberations/Action on Applications for Registration: Residential Designers**

Coletti swore-in the following individuals as residential designers:

- 1. David Hopp ..... 458-RD
- 2. Matthew A. Soudan..... 460-RD

**Motion:** Wikoff moved to approve the registration of Matthew Soudan as a residential designer. Motion seconded by Mickey.

**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

**Motion:** Waugh moved to approve the registration of David Hopp as a residential designer. Motion seconded by Snyder.

**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

Glenn Nowak, Associate Professor at UNLV School of Architecture, congratulated the new registrants on behalf of UNLV.

Carlos Fernandez, AIALV Executive Director, congratulated the new registrants on behalf of AIA.

Board members and staff congratulated the new registrants. Erny encouraged the new registrants to share any comments or concerns on the licensure process.

New registrants shared comments on the licensure process.

**AGENDA ITEM 5**            **Discussion and possible action regarding the 2025 Legislative Session – Jim Wadhams**

Wadhams provided an update on the 2025 Legislative Session.

**AGENDA ITEM 6**            **Presentation of audit results for Fiscal Year End 2024 – Suzanne Olsen, CPA from Casey Neilon, Inc.**

Suzanne Olsen, CPA for Casey Neilon, presented the audit results for fiscal year end 2024. Information regarding the results was provided in the board meeting e-book.

**Motion:** Snyder moved to accept the audit results for Fiscal Year End 2024. Motion seconded by Waugh.  
**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

**AGENDA ITEM 8**            **Review and possible approval of a letter to specify those services that may only be performed by a registered interior designer and those services for which registration is not required**

Hatfield presented a draft letter requested at the last board meeting. It is in response to the number of cases against people practicing in regulated areas of registered interior design who are not registered with the board.

Board members suggested changes and directed staff to send the letter to interior design/decorating businesses in Nevada and post it on the website.

**AGENDA ITEM 9A-1**        **Case No. 24-032R in the matter of Rene Rolin Hassenzahl and MIXT Consulting**

The Respondent is alleged to have violated NRS 623.270.1(f) and NRS 623.360.1(c) by engaging in the practices of architecture and residential design and working outside the scope of her registered interior designer registration.

Staff received a complaint from Randy Beekman stating that the Respondent provided services which fall outside of the scope of her registered interior designer registration. The Respondent provided drawings for a pool cabana and worked on other architectural and residential design services with general contractors. Respondent electronically signed Mr. Beekman's name and submitted the plans as owner builder.

The Respondent was sent a Notice of Charges concerning the matter. The Respondent's case was discussed with Executive Director Harrison and the decision was made to offer the Respondent an opportunity to settle the matter informally rather than face a disciplinary hearing before the board. A settlement agreement was negotiated incorporating a Guilt clause, a \$2,500 Administrative Penalty, and \$2,00 in investigative costs.

Staff recommended approval of the settlement agreement.

Erny recused himself from the matter.

**Motion:** Waugh moved to approve the settlement agreement. Motion seconded by Wikoff.

**Vote:** Erny recused. All others in favor. Motion passes.

### **AGENDA ITEM 9A-2 Case No. 24-040R in the matter of Nathan Tolbert and Form Consulting**

The Respondent is alleged to have violated NRS 623.270.1(d)(f) by over stamping plans that were originally submitted by the contractor under the contractor's exemption.

Staff received an anonymous complaint stating that the Respondent had taken a set of contractor's plans and stamped them without being in responsible control for a residence in Northern Nevada.

The Respondent was sent a Notice of Charges concerning the matter. The Respondent's case was discussed with Executive Director Harrison and the decision was made to offer the Respondent an opportunity to settle the matter informally rather than face a disciplinary hearing before the board. A settlement agreement was negotiated incorporating a Guilt clause, a \$2,500 Administrative Penalty, and \$1,500 in investigative costs.

Staff recommended approval of the settlement agreement.

**Motion:** Waugh moved to approve the settlement agreement. Motion seconded by Mickey.

**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

### **AGENDA ITEM 9A-3 Case No. 25-001R in the matter of Michael Peterson**

The Respondent is alleged to have violated NRS 623.270.5(c) and NRS 623.270.1 (f) when he was negligent in doing his due diligence on a demolition plan.

Staff received a complaint from Melinda Jenson stating the Respondent was negligent in verifying whether a demolished wall was loadbearing. The Respondent prepared as-builts even though he saw the previous drawings from the building department which showed the wall was loadbearing.

The Respondent was sent a Notice of Charges concerning the matter. The Respondent's case was discussed with Executive Director Harrison and the decision was made to offer the Respondent an opportunity to settle the matter informally rather than face a disciplinary hearing before the board. A settlement agreement was negotiated incorporating a Guilt clause, a \$2,000 Administrative Penalty, and \$1,400 in investigative costs.

Staff recommended approval of the settlement agreement.

Erny recused himself from the matter.

**Motion:** Waugh moved to approve the settlement agreement. Motion seconded by Snyder.

**Vote:** Erny recused. All others in favor. Motion passes.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 9A-4 Case No. 25-006N in the matter of Neha Singh**

The Respondent is alleged to have violated NRS 623.360.1(b)(c) when she issued a proposal which called out new electrical and plumbing and engaged in the practice of architecture and residential design.

Staff received a complaint from David Dove stating the Respondent had provided regulated services for a small home remodel. The plans were reviewed by an enforcement advisory member, and it was determined that the Respondent added new electrical and moved plumbing.

The Respondent was sent a Notice of Charges concerning the matter. The Respondent's case was discussed with Executive Director Harrison and the decision was made to offer the Respondent an opportunity to settle the matter informally rather than face a disciplinary hearing before the board. A settlement agreement was negotiated incorporating a Guilt clause, a \$2,000 Administrative Penalty, and \$1,200 in investigative costs.

Staff recommended approval of the settlement agreement.

**Motion:** Waugh moved to approve the settlement agreement. Motion seconded by Snyder.

**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 9A-5 Case No. 25-011N in the matter of Piere Burton Jr. and Dzindit LLC**

The Respondent is alleged to have violated NRS 623.360.1(a)(b)(c) when he executed a contract for a home remodel and engaged in the practices of architecture and residential design.

Staff received a complaint from David and Ashnita Triolo stating that the Respondent provided services that fall under the practice of architecture and residential design. The plans included new archway entrances, relocating electrical and plumbing, relocating a shower and adding a steam room which he depicted in plans he prepared. Additionally, he referred to himself as a residential designer.

The Respondent was sent a Notice of Charges concerning the matter. The Respondent's case was discussed with Executive Director Harrison and the decision was made to offer the Respondent an opportunity to settle the matter informally rather than face a disciplinary hearing before the board. A

settlement agreement was negotiated incorporating a Guilt clause, a \$4,500 Administrative Penalty, and \$1,600 in investigative costs.

Staff recommended approval of the settlement agreement.

**Motion:** Waugh moved to approve the settlement agreement. Motion seconded by Mickey.

**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

**AGENDA ITEM 9A-6 Case No. 25-019N in the matter of Joel Baumgardner and Baumgardner Architecture an Architectural Corporation**

The Respondent is alleged to have violated NRS 623.360.1(c) when he engaged in the practices of architecture and residential design prior to having his certificate of registration.

Staff received a reciprocity application from Respondent with a no answer to the question “Have you or any firm or business at which you practice architecture provided a proposal to a client, entered into a contract or agreement with a client, prepared drawings for a client, or otherwise performed architectural work for a project located or contemplated in Nevada?” During the interview the Respondent said that he had issued prepared schematic drawings for a residence located in Reno, Nevada.

The Respondent was sent a Notice of Charges concerning the matter. The Respondent’s case was discussed with Executive Director Harrison and the decision was made to offer the Respondent an opportunity to settle the matter informally rather than face a disciplinary hearing before the board. A settlement agreement was negotiated incorporating a Guilt clause, an Effect on Licensure Clause, a \$3,000 Administrative Penalty, and \$1,500 in investigative costs.

Staff recommended approval of the settlement agreement.

**Motion:** Waugh moved to approve the settlement agreement. Motion seconded by Coletti.

**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

**AGENDA ITEM 9A-7 Case No. 25-020N in the matter of Christine Lampert and Lampert Dias Architects**

The Respondent is alleged to have violated NRS 623.360.1(c) when she engaged in the practices of architecture and residential design prior to having her certificate of registration.

Staff received a reciprocity application from Respondent with a no answer to the question “Have you or any firm or business at which you practice architecture provided a proposal to a client, entered into a contract or agreement with a client, prepared drawings for a client, or otherwise performed architectural work for a project located or contemplated in Nevada?” During a review of the Respondent’s website staff found a set of architectural drawings for a house located in Zephyr Cove, Nevada. The drawings were stamped with the Respondent’s California stamp.

The Respondent was sent a Notice of Charges concerning the matter. The Respondent’s case was discussed with Executive Director Harrison and the decision was made to offer the Respondent an

opportunity to settle the matter informally rather than face a disciplinary hearing before the board. A settlement agreement was negotiated incorporating a Guilt clause, an Effect on Licensure Clause, a \$3,000 Administrative Penalty, and \$1,200 in investigative costs.

Staff recommended approval of the settlement agreement.

**Motion:** Waugh moved to approve the settlement agreement. Motion seconded by Snyder.

**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

**AGENDA ITEM 9B      Discussion and possible decision regarding closure of enforcement cases**

Bach recommended the following cases for closure without disciplinary action:

24-038N	24-042N	25-002R	25-004R	25-005N
25-008N	25-009R	25-010N	25-013R	25-016R

**Motion:** Waugh moved to approve the closure of the cases listed above without disciplinary action. Motion seconded by Mickey.

**Vote:** Erny recused. All others in favor. Motion passes.

**AGENDA ITEM 9C      Enforcement report**

Bach had nothing to report.

**AGENDA ITEM 10A      Architect Report - FYI: NCARB Competency Standards for Architects**

This information was presented in the board meeting e-book.

**AGENDA ITEM 10B      Architect Report - FYI: Fast Facts September and October 2024**

This information was presented in the board meeting e-book.

**AGENDA ITEM 10C      Architect Report - FYI: NCARB September 2024 Update**

This information was presented in the board meeting e-book.

**AGENDA ITEM 11A      Residential Designer Report – Update of the Residential Design Examination**

Coletti updated the board on exam pass rates.



**AGENDA ITEM 12A**      **Registered Interior Designer Report – Model Legislation Final Version and Annual Resolution**

Wikoff updated the board on resolutions to be presented at the CIDQ Annual Meeting.

**AGENDA ITEM 12B**      **Registered Interior Designer Report – FYI: Q Connection 2024 Fall Edition**

This information was presented in the board meeting e-book.

**AGENDA ITEM 13**      **Public Member Report**

Waugh had nothing to report.

**AGENDA ITEM 14**      **Executive Director Report**

Harrison said renewals start November 4. Future meetings are: January 22-virtual and March 26-virtual.

**AGENDA ITEM 15**      **Board Counsel Report**

Ling had nothing to report.

**AGENDA ITEM 16**      **Public Information Report**

Hatfield said information is included in the board books. The annual CEU seminar is next week.

**AGENDA ITEM 18**      **Review and Consideration of Order Remanding Petition for Judicial Review to NSBAIDRD for Additional Hearing and Findings issued by Judge Kierny in the 8<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court Case No. A-24-892597-J, including review of briefs submitted by the parties, a potential hearing, discussion, deliberations, and determination in the matter of Jeffrey Hagen and JAHA (Case No. 24-016N)**

Gregory Erny (Chairman), William Snyder (Secretary/Treasurer), Daniel Coletti, George Garlock, Chelsea Lavell, James Mickey, Nathaniel Waugh, Tina Wichmann and Marie Wikoff.

In attendance:

Matthew Feeley, Deputy Attorney General

Louis Ling, Board Counsel

Mark Hutchings, Counsel for Jeffrey Hagen

The board considered the following issues, as directed by the court.

Issue One

What effect, if any, should the United States Supreme Court decision in SEC v Jarkesy have upon the Board's matter.

Issue Two

Whether Respondents are immune from civil prosecution in this matter under NRS 623.335 and NRS 622A.150.

The board heard arguments from Ling and Hutchings regarding the two issues. Board members asked questions and discussed the issues.

**Motion:** Waugh moved that the board find that the United States Supreme Court decision in SEC v Jarkesy does not allow Petitioner to demand a jury trial. Motion seconded by Garlock.

**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

**Motion:** Waugh moved that the board find that the Respondents are not immune from civil prosecution in this matter under NRS 623.335 and NRS 622A.150. Motion seconded by Garlock.

**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

**AGENDA ITEM 17            Election of Officers**

**Motion:** Lavell moved to nominate Mickey as Board Chair. Motion seconded by Garlock.

**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

**Motion:** Garlock moved to nominate Wichmann as Board Secretary/Treasurer. Motion seconded by Wikoff.

**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

**AGENDA ITEM 19            Items for future agenda**

There were no items for future agenda.

**AGENDA ITEM 20            Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

Erny adjourned the meeting.

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Monica Harrison, Executive Director

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William Snyder, Secretary/Treasurer