

OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION DIVISION OF LICENSING AND BOARD ADMINISTRATION

Board of Barbering, Cosmetology and Esthetics 7 Eagle Square, Concord, NH 03301-2412 Phone: 603-271-2152

PUBLIC MINUTES Monday February 13, 2023

The February 13, 2023, the Board meeting for Barbering, Cosmetology and Esthetics was called to order at 9:04 a.m. at 7 Eagle Square, Concord, NH with the following members present:

Jeanne Chappell, Chair, School Owner Member
Joshua Craggy, Barber Member
Kimberly Hannon, Vice Chair, Cosmetologist Member - **Absent**Sarah Partridge, Public Member
Anne Dalton, Manicure Member
Donna Woodsom, Esthetic Member
Christine Horne, Board Administrator
Charlene Anstead, Board Administrator
Sherri Phillips, Board Counsel

The below times are notated for breaks taken by the Board 10:47 am – Returned at 10:57am

HEARINGS

Checkers Barbershop - Adjudicatory Hearing

Hearings Officer: Shane Goulet Hearing Counsel: John Garrigan

Witnesse(s): Sandra Hodgdon, Inspector Respondant: Jason Madison, Owner

Hearing commenced at 9:27 am. Attorney Marissa Schuetz recommended that sanctions on Licensee be imposed for failure to pay a fine that was imposed with all but \$100.00 suspended, due within 45 days of the effective date of the original Settlement Agreement with no further violations for 2 years. The \$100.00 due was never paid. Respondent gave testimony that during this time, his father had passed away and a lot of his other priorities fell by the way side, creating a period of hardship for himself. Hearing closed at 9:41 am.

After reviewing all the documentary evidence in non-public session, drawing all reasonable inferences therefrom, and taking into account the sincerity, presentation and demeanor of the witness, the Board found the Respondant in earnest and voted to impose discipline as contained in the order published on the Board's website



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The Nail Garden - Adjudicatory Hearing

Hearings Officer: Shane Goulet Hearing Counsel: John Garrigan

Witnesse(s): Sandra Hodgdon, Inspector

Respondant(s): Tuyet Vo, Owner; Amy La, Manager and daughter of salon owner. Amy

La also served as Tuyet Vo's interpreter.

Hearing commenced at 9:42 am. Attorney John Garrigan submitted proposed findings of fact and exhibits instead of calling Inspector Sandra Hodgdon as a witness. Respondent Amy La testified that they were not aware that using food grade cheese graters is a noncompliant salon tool. Amy La, Manager, stated that on the day of the inspection was her first day back from maternity leave, and that due to her absence, it made it difficult to support her staff to ensure compliance with rules and regulations due to her time away. Hearing closed at 9:57 am.

After reviewing all the documentary evidence in non-public session, drawing all reasonable inferences therefrom, and taking into account the presentation and demeanor of all the witnesses, the Board finds that Hearing Counsel has met the burden of proof and that the Licensee has committed professional misconduct and voted to impose discipline as contained in the order published on the Board's website.

Jazzi's Nails - Adjudicatory Hearing

Hearings Officer: Shane Goulet Hearing Counsel: Marissa Schuetz Respondant: Nina Nuygen, Owner Witness: Sandra Hodgdon, Inspector

Hearing commenced at 10:01 am. Attorney John Garrigan called Inspector Sandra Hodgdon as a witness and gave testimony regarding a failed inspection due to a complaint received. Upon inspection, Inspector Hodgdon found multiple violations to include; unsanitized salon tools, dirty facility, first-aid box not properly displayed, eye wash station not easily accessible, incomplete MSDS sheets and the inability to pass one inspection out of twelve since salon opening.

Respondant gave testimony that during the last inspection, she was not notified about the eye wash station. Respondant disagreed with Inspector Hodgdon that tools were



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unsanitized. Respondant testified that she follows some rules, but not others. Respondant insists that she wants to take classes so she knows how to do things while implying that the rules are not out there for her to review, nor are there a lot of resources in order to keep up with the rules, while questioning why they weren't notified of certain rules. Respondant expressed frustration while calling to receive updated information that she can't get someone to speak to on the phone. Respondant did in fact apoplogize for the frustration she harbors with Inspector Hogdon.

After reviewing all the documentary eviednce in non-public session, drawing all reasonable inferences therefrom, and taking into account the presentation and demeanor of all the witnesses, the Board finds that Hearing Counsel has met the burden of proof that the Licensee has committed professional misconduct and voted to impose discipline as contained in the order published on the Board's website.

La Zona Barbershop - Leonis Guerrero Pimentel, Owner - Emergency Suspension

Inspector Sandra Hodgdon addressed the Board explaining a routine inspection was performed on 2/10/23 resulting in 2250 violation points. The shop license was expired. A Mr. Yahir Mendoza explained that the men presently working did not have a NH Barbering license. The Inspector then asked each one for a form of government issued ID and all claimed that not only did they not have one, but they also could not speak English. One worker ran to the back of the shop through a doorway and then locked it and would not re-open the door when asked to return. Yahir Mendoza gave inspector Hodgdon the names of everyone in the shop. The Board deliberated on this matter in non-public session.

The Diamond Barber Shop and Lounge – Hairon M. Rodriguez Fernandez, Owner Emergency Suspension

Inspector Sandra Hodgdon addressed the Board regarding and inspection that was performed on 2/10/23 by which resulted in 2,927 violation points. Among the issues were dirty combs, brushes, dirty towels not properly disposed of and clipper guards found in and on stations; floors, walls and woodwork not clean. One licensed barber did not have a booth license, while 3 people working this day were unlicensed. Body art supplies were found on the premises and being performed by Hairon Rodriguez, which he is not licensed to do. The Board deliberated on this matter in non-public session.



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On the motion of Sarah Partridge, seconded by Jeanne Chappell, the Board voted to conduct a non-public session at 10:47 am for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A: 3, II (c), RSA 91-A: 3, II (e), RSA 91-A: 5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present. The Board returned to public session at 1:59 pm on the motion of Sarah Partridge and second by Jeanne Chappell.

Motion to keep minutes of non-public session confidential: Upon the motion of Sarah Partridge, seconded by Joshua Craggy, the Board voted to withhold and seal all the minutes of the preceding non-public session from public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, III on the grounds that public disclosure would be likely to affect adversely the reputation of a person other than a Board member and to render the proposed action ineffective. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by unanimous vote of all members present.

Adjournment

Sarah Partridge made a motion to adjourn at 2:59 pm. Joshua Craggy seconded; motion passes with a roll call vote.