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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY	:	
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	:	FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
	:	LS0411102APP
PATRICK J. COLLINS,	•	
RESPONDENT.	:	

Division of Enforcement Case No. 04 APP 010

The parties to this action for the purposes of Wis. Stats. Sec. 227.53 are:

Patrick J. Collins 2310 Greenwald Street Green Bay, WI 54301

Real Estate Appraisers Board P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935

Department of Regulation and Licensing Division of Enforcement P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final decision of this matter, subject to the approval of the Board. The Board has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Patrick J. Collins (Date of Birth: August 4, 1946) possesses a certificate of licensure to practice in the state of Wisconsin as a Licensed Appraiser in the state of Wisconsin (certificate number 9-1153). This certificate was first granted on July 2, 1999, and is current through December 31, 2005.

2. Mr. Collins' most recent address known to the Department of Regulation and Licensing is 2310 Greenwald Street, Green Bay, WI 54301.

3. Each person possessing a certificate as a Licensed Appraiser in the state of Wisconsin must renew those certificates of licensure and certification biennially, by January 1 of each even-numbered year. [Sec. 440.08(2)(a)12, Stats.]

4. To be eligible to renew the certificate of licensure for the next biennial registration period, the licensee must have completed at least 28 hours of Department approved continuing education in the previous biennial registration period. [Sec. 458.13, Wis. Stats. and § RL 85.01(1), Wis. Admin. Code]

5. Prior to January 1, 2004, the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing sent Mr. Collins a Real Estate Appraiser Renewal Application to execute and return with the required fee if Mr. Butler wished to renew his certificate of licensure in the state of Wisconsin for the January 1, 2004, through December 31, 2005, biennium.

That Real Estate Appraiser Renewal Application contains the following language, immediately above the line which Mr Collins was to date and sign:

"I HAVE COMPLETED 28 HOURS (INCLUDING AT LEAST 4 HOURS OF PROFESSIONIAL STANDARDS AND CODE OF ETHICS) OF DEPARTMENT-APPROVED CONTINUING EDUCATION BETWEEN JANUARY 1, 2002 AND DECEMBER 31, 2003. I HAVE EVIDENCE OF THIS WHICH I WILL FURNISH TO THE DEPARTMENT UPON REQUEST."

That Real Estate Appraiser Renewal Application contains the following language immediately below the line which Mr. Collins was to date and sign:

"MAKING A FALSE STATEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH ANY APPLICATION FOR CREDENTIAL IS GROUNDS FOR REVOCATION OR DENIAL."

6. Mr. Collins signed and returned the Real Estate Appraiser Renewal Application certifying that he had completed the continuing education requirements of the Real Estate Appraisers Board during the January 1, 2002, through December 31, 2003, biennium. A copy of the renewal form, dated November 8, 2003, is attached as Exhibit A and is incorporated herein by reference.

7. On February 9, 2004, as part of a random audit which the Real Estate Appraisers Board conducted of its licensees, Mr. Collins was sent a letter requesting that he send the Board verification that he had completed the 28 hours of approved continuing education, which he had claimed to have completed prior to renewing his license for the January 1, 2004, through December 31, 2005, biennium.

8. Mr. Collins submitted documentation that he had completed 14 hours of approved continuing education hours during the January 1, 2002, through December 31, 2003, biennium. He latter completed 14 additional hours of approved continuing education hours shortly after December 31, 2003. Those 14 additional hours were applied to the January 1, 2002, through December 31, 2003, biennium.

9. Mr. Collins did not complete the required 28 hours of approved continuing education during the January 1, 2002, through December 31, 2003, biennium, prior to renewing his license for the January 1, 2004, through December 31, 2005, biennium.

10. Mr. Collins made a material misstatement on his December 21, 2003, renewal application when he attested that he had completed 28 hours of approved continuing education during the January 1, 2002, through December 31, 2003, biennium.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Real Estate Appraisers Board has jurisdiction over this matter, pursuant to Sec. 458.26, Stats., and Wis. Admin. Code Ch. RL 85.

2. The Wisconsin Real Estate Appraisers Board is authorized to enter into the attached stipulation, pursuant to Sec. 227.44(5), Stats.

3. By not completing the required 28 continuing education credits during the required time frame Patrick J. Collins has violated:

- a. Sec. 458.13, Stats. Continuing Education Requirements.
- b. Sec. 458.26(3)(a), Stats. Made a material misstatement in an application for the certificate or renewal of the certificate or in any other information furnished to the Board or Department.
- c. Sec. 458.26(3)(b), Stats. Engaged in unprofessional conduct in violation of rules promulgated under Sec. 458.24, Stats.
- d. Sec. 458.26(3)(i), Stats. Violated this chapter or any rule promulgated under

this chapter.

e. Wis. Admin. Code Sec. RL 85.01. Continuing Education Requirements.

<u>ORDER</u>

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Patrick J. Collins (certificate #4-1087) is hereby **REPRIMANDED.**

2. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Collins shall pay a forfeiture in the amount of **five hundred dollars** (\$500.00); and the **amount of two hundred dollars** (\$200.00) partial **assessment of costs** of this proceeding, all to be paid within **one hundred twenty** (120) days of the effective date of the Board's Order adopting the Stipulated Agreement (The effective date of the board's Order is the date of signing by the Board's chair or his designee).

3. The assessed forfeiture and partial assessment of costs shall be payable by cashier's check or money order made payable to the Department Monitor (Place case number on the check or money order and the words "Forfeiture" and/or "Costs").

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4. If Patrick J. Collins shall fail to pay the forfeiture and partial assessment of costs, or fails to obtain a written extension from the Board to complete same, then Patrick J. Collins shall be considered to be in violation of the Board's Order and may be subjected to further discipline.