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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE ARCHITECT SECTION OF THE WISCONSIN EXAMINING
BOARD OF ARCHITECTS, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS, PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS,
DESIGNERS, AND PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

GREGORY REWERTS,
RESPONDENT.

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: FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 17 ARC 031

The parties to this action for the purpose of Wis. Stat. § 227.53 are:

Gregory Rewerts
4403 Marsh Avenue
Rockford, IL 61114

The Architect Section of the Wisconsin Examining Board of Architects, Landscape
Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers and Professional Land Surveyors
P.O. Box 8366
Madison, WI 53708-8366

Division of Legal Services and Compliance
Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services
P.O. Box 7190
Madison, WI 53707-7190

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final disposition of this matter, subject to the approval of the Architect Section of the Wisconsin Examining Board of Architects, Landscape Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers and Professional Land Surveyors (Section). The Section has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Section adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent Gregory Rewerts (DOB 3/6/1953) is registered by the State of Wisconsin as an Architect, having registration number 6544-5, first issued on March 9, 1989 and current through July 31, 2018. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is 4403 Marsh Avenue, Rockford, Illinois 61114.

2. In 2016, the Department initiated an audit of registered Architect continuing education (C.E.) for the 2014-2016 biennial registration period (August 1, 2014 to July 31, 2016).

3. Department records indicate that, at the time of renewal, Respondent claimed he had completed the C.E. requirements for the 2014-2016 biennial period and had evidence of this which he would furnish to the Section upon request.

4. Pursuant to the Department's audit, Respondent was found to be noncompliant with the C.E. requirements for registered Architects in the 2014-2016 biennial registration period, as Respondent only completed three (3) hours of C.E., one (1) of which was on Health, Safety, and Welfare (HSW) topics, during that time period.

5. Between September 6, 2016, and September 26, 2016, Respondent completed twenty-one (21) hours of approved C.E., all of which were on HSW topics, which were applied retroactively to Respondent's C.E. requirements for the 2014-2016 biennial registration period. The courses taken by Respondent were:

i. September 6, 2016:

1. Access Ladders & Stairways: Design and Code Solutions (1 C.E./HSW)
2. Wide Plank Wood Flooring: Design Considerations (1 C.E./HSW)

ii. September 8, 2016:

1. Designing With Structural Insulated Panels (1 C.E./HSW)

iii. September 10, 2016:

1. Protect People and Property by Specifying Secure Doors and Frames (1 C.E./ HSW)

iv. September 12, 2016:

1. Steel Doors and Frames 101 (1 C.E./HSW)

v. September 24, 2016:

1. Step Up to Safety (1 C.E./HSW)
2. Spray Polyurethane Foam (SPF) For Building Insulation (1 C.E./ HSW)
3. Integrally Colored Concrete (1 C.E./HSW)

vi. September 25, 2016:

1. Assuring Stucco Performance Using Non-Corrosive Components (1 C.E./HSW)
2. Assuring Water Resistance of Masonry Construction (1 C.E./HSW)
3. Efficient Design Utilizing Decorative Guardrails (1 C.E./HSW)
4. Fire Retardant Treated Wood (FRTW) For Commercial and Residential Structures (1 C.E./HSW)
5. Innovative Column Options for the 21st century (1 C.E./HSW)
6. Improving Timber Connections Through Design (1 C.E./HSW)
7. Laminated Timber Columns: Structural Characteristics (1 C.E./HSW)
8. Masonry Wall Insulation, Air Barrier, Water Seal and Moisture Vapor Control with ccSPF (1 C.E./HSW)
9. Pedestrian Cable Railings: Guardrails with Cable Infill (1 C.E./HSW)
10. Residential Garages and Overhead Doors (1 C.E./HSW)
11. Spray-in-Place Polyurethane Insulation Systems (1 C.E./HSW)

vii. September 26, 2016:

1. Locker Solutions for Every Place and Purpose (1 C.E./HSW)
2. Finishing Gypsum Board: Appearance and Indoor Air Quality (1 C.E./HSW)

6. In resolution of this matter, Respondent consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Architect Section of the Wisconsin Examining Board of Architects, Landscape Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers and Professional Land Surveyors has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 443.11, and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

2. By the conduct described in the Findings of Fact, Respondent violated Wis. Admin. Code § A-E 12.03(1) by failing to complete at least 24 contact hours of continuing education, of which 16 contact hours shall be in HSW topics pertinent to the practice of architecture, within the 2014-2016 biennial registration period.

3. As a result of the above violation, Respondent has engaged in misconduct in the practice of architecture as defined in Wis. Admin. Code § A-E 8.03(3)(a) and is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 443.11(1)(a) and (d).

ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.
2. Respondent Gregory Rewerts is REPRIMANDED.
3. Within 90 days from the date of this Order, Respondent shall pay COSTS of this matter in the amount of \$262.00.
4. Any C.E. listed above in Finding of Fact paragraph 5, that were completed and retroactively applied to Respondent's C.E. requirements for the 2014-2016 biennium, may not be used to satisfy any other registered Architect C.E. requirements with the Section.
5. Payment of costs shall be made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services and sent by Respondent to the Department Monitor at the address below:

Department Monitor
Division of Legal Services and Compliance
Department of Safety and Professional Services
P.O. Box 7190, Madison WI 53707-7190
Telephone (608) 267-3817; Fax (608) 266-2264
DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov

6. In the event Respondent violates any term of this Order, Respondent's registration (no. 6544-5), or Respondent's right to renew his registration may, in the discretion of the Section or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with the terms of the Order. The Section may, in addition and/or in the alternative, refer any violation of this Order to the Division of Legal Services and Compliance for further investigation and action.

7. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

THE ARCHITECT SECTION OF THE WISCONSIN EXAMINING BOARD OF
ARCHITECTS, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS, PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, DESIGNERS
AND PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

by: Del. Rohmeyer
A Member of the Section *DSPS Chief
Legal Counsel*

9/28/18
Date

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STIPULATION

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 17 ARC 031

Respondent Gregory Rewerts and the Division of Legal Services and Compliance, Department of Safety and Professional Services stipulate as follows:

1. This Stipulation is entered into as a result of a pending investigation by the Division of Legal Services and Compliance. Respondent consents to the resolution of this investigation by Stipulation.
2. Respondent understands that by signing this Stipulation, Respondent voluntarily and knowingly waives the following rights:
 - the right to a hearing on the allegations against Respondent, at which time the State has the burden of proving those allegations by a preponderance of the evidence;
 - the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against Respondent;
 - the right to call witnesses on Respondent's behalf and to compel their attendance by subpoena;
 - the right to testify on Respondent's own behalf;
 - the right to file objections to any proposed decision and to present briefs or oral arguments to the officials who are to render the final decision;
 - the right to petition for rehearing; and
 - all other applicable rights afforded to Respondent under the United States Constitution, the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Statutes, the Wisconsin Administrative Code, and other provisions of state or federal law.
3. Respondent is aware of Respondent's right to seek legal representation and has been provided an opportunity to obtain legal counsel before signing this Stipulation. Respondent is represented by Attorney Chester Chostner.
4. Respondent agrees to the adoption of the attached Final Decision and Order by the Architect Section of the Wisconsin Examining Board of Architects, Landscape Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers, and Professional Land Surveyors (Section). The parties to the Stipulation consent to the entry of the attached Final Decision and Order without further notice, pleading, appearance or consent of the parties. Respondent waives all rights to any appeal of the Section's order, if adopted in the form as attached.

5. If the terms of this Stipulation are not acceptable to the Section, the parties shall not be bound by the contents of this Stipulation, and the matter shall then be returned to the Division of Legal Services and Compliance for further proceedings. In the event that the Stipulation is not accepted by the Section, the parties agree not to contend that the Section has been prejudiced or biased in any manner by the consideration of this attempted resolution.

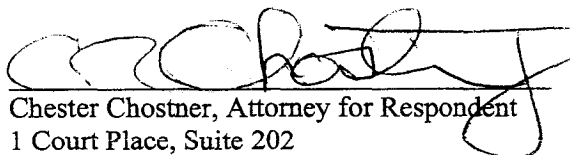
6. The parties to this Stipulation agree that the attorney or other agent for the Division of Legal Services and Compliance and any member of the Section ever assigned as an advisor in this investigation may appear before the Section in open or closed session, without the presence of Respondent, for purposes of speaking in support of this agreement and answering questions that any member of the Section may have in connection with deliberations on the Stipulation. Additionally, any such advisor may vote on whether the Section should accept this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

7. Respondent is informed that should the Section adopt this Stipulation, the Section's Final Decision and Order is a public record and will be published in accordance with standard Department procedure.

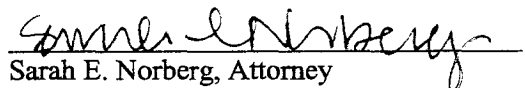
8. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Respondent in recommending the Section adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.


Gregory Rewerts, Respondent
4403 Marsh Avenue
Rockford, IL 61114
Registration no. 6544-5

7/27/18
Date


Chester Chostner, Attorney for Respondent
1 Court Place, Suite 202
Rockford, IL 61101

8/2/18
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