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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

PAUL E. SKIDMORE AND SKIDMORE PROPERTY SERVICES, LLC, RESPONDENTS.

ORDER 0006399

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 18 RSG 001 and 18 RAL 001

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

Paul E. Skidmore 13 Red Maple Trail Madison, WI 53717

Skidmore Property Services, LLC 13 Red Maple Trail Madison, WI 53717

Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services P.O. Box 8368 Madison, WI 53708-8368

Division of Legal Services and Compliance 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 Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department). The Department has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent Paul E. Skidmore (DOB 6/27/1952) is permitted by the State of Wisconsin as a private security person, having permit number 40230-108, first issued on March 29, 2010 and current through August 31, 2020. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Department is 13 Red Maple Trail, Madison, Wisconsin 53717.

- 2. Respondent Skidmore Property Services, LLC is licensed by the State of Wisconsin as a private detective agency, having license number 16927-62, first issued on August 30, 2012 and current through August 31, 2019. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Department is 13 Red Maple Trail, Madison, Wisconsin 53717.
 - 3. Respondent Paul E. Skidmore is the owner of Skidmore Property Services, LLC.
- 4. On January 10, 2018 and January 11, 2018, the Department received complaints alleging that Respondents were employing Nicholas D. Collicott to provide armed services while his firearms credential was expired. Division of Legal Services and Compliance (Division) Case Numbers 18 RSG 001 and 18 RAL 001 were subsequently opened for investigation.
- 5. Department records indicate that Nicholas D. Collicott's firearm permit with Respondent Skidmore Property Services, LLC, was active from September 27, 2016 through September 27, 2017.
- 6. On February 22, 2018, Nicholas D. Collicott admitted that he provided armed services for Respondent Skidmore Property Services, LLC on six occasions between October 14, 2017 and November 18, 2017.
- 7. In resolution of this matter, Respondents consent to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.26(6), 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, Respondents violated Wis. Admin. Code § SPS 35.01(8) by violating state or federal law rules or regulations related to the care, handling or use of firearms.
- 3. By the conduct described in the Findings of Fact, Respondents violated Wis. Admin. Code § SPS 35.01(10) by employing a person who engages in any act or course of conduct for which the department may discipline a credential holder, if the employer knows or should know that the person is engaging or has engaged in the act or course of conduct.
- 4. As a result of the above violations, Respondent is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.26(6)(a) 2. and 4. and Wis. Admin. Code § SPS 35.01.

<u>ORDER</u>

- 1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.
- 2. Respondent Paul E. Skidmore is REPRIMANDED.
- 3. Respondent Skidmore Property Services, LLC is REPRIMANDED.

- 4. Respondent Paul E. Skidmore shall, within 90 days after the date of this Order, pay one-half of the COSTS of Division Case Number 18 RSG 001 in the amount of \$243.
- 5. Respondent Skidmore Property Services, LLC shall, within 90 days after the date of this Order, pay the COSTS of Division Case Number 18 RAL 001 in the amount of \$609.
- 6. Payment of costs (made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services) shall be sent by Respondents 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

You may also submit this information online via DSPS' Monitoring Case Management System at: https://app.wi.gov/DSPSMonitoring.

- 7. In the event Respondents violate any term of this Order, Respondents' credentials (numbers 40230-108 and 16927-62), or Respondents' right to renew their credentials, may, in the discretion of the Department or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondents have complied with the terms of the Order. The Department 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.
 - 8. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

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	Aloysius Rohmeyer, Chief Legal Counsel On Behalf of the Department	Date

STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

STIPULATION

PAUL E. SKIDMORE AND SKIDMORE PROPERTY SERVICES, LLC. RESPONDENTS.

ORDER 0006399

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 18 RSG 001 and 18 RAL 001

Respondents Paul E. Skidmore and Skidmore Property Services, LLC 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. Respondents consent to the resolution of this investigation by Stipulation.
- 2. Respondents understand that by signing this Stipulation, Respondents voluntarily and knowingly waive the following rights:
 - the right to a hearing on the allegations against Respondents, 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 Respondents;
 - the right to call witnesses on Respondents' behalf and to compel their attendance by subpoena;
 - the right to testify on Respondents' 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 Respondents under the United States Constitution, the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Statutes, the Wisconsin Administrative Code, and other provisions of state or federal law.
- 3. Respondents are aware of Respondents' right to seek legal representation and have been provided an opportunity to obtain legal counsel before signing this Stipulation.
- 4. Respondents agree to the adoption of the attached Final Decision and Order by the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department). 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. Respondents waive all rights to any appeal of the Department's Order, if adopted in the form as attached.

- 5. If the terms of this Stipulation are not acceptable to the Department, 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 Department, the parties agree not to contend that the Department 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 may appear before the Department, without the presence of Respondents, for purposes of speaking in support of this agreement and answering questions that the Department may have in connection with deliberations on the Stipulation.
- 7. Respondents are informed that should the Department adopt this Stipulation, the Department'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 Respondents in recommending that the Department adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

Paul E. Skidmore, Respondent

13 Red Maple Trail Madison, WI 53717 Permit no. 40230-108

Skidmore Property Services, LLC, Respondent

By: Paul E. Skidmore 13 Red Maple Trail Madison, WI 53717 Permit no. 16927-62

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Date