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> 1000 Washington Street, Suite 710 Boston, Massachusetts 02118

# September 18, 2024

## **Public Minutes**

### Members in attendance:

Peter Ruffini, *Chairman* Linda Kody, *Board Member* Kathy Condon, *Board Member* 

#### Administrative Staff in attendance:

Jamie Dalton, *Board Counsel* Kristin Mitchell, *Executive Director* Colleen Cavanaugh, *Associate Executive Director* 

Call to Order – Peter Ruffini opened the meeting at 10:04 a.m.

Vote on Minutes - Tabled

## **Executive Director Report**

Kristin Mitchell informed the Board of the following information:

Since the Board's last meeting (8/13/24), the Board has received 676 applications for exam.

Since the Board's last meeting, the Board has issued 306 licenses:

231 Salesperson by exam
15 Broker by exam
9 Attorney Brokers
20 Businesses
5 Reciprocal Brokers
26 Reciprocal Salespersons
0 Instructors
0 Schools

LAYLA R. D'EMILIA UNDERSECRETARY, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND BUSINESS REGULATION

SARAH R. WILKINSON COMMISSIONER, DIVISION OF OCCUPATIONAL LICENSURE Kristin Mitchell informed the Board that PSI was currently about a one-week turnaround time for applications. She also reminded the board that to obtain a physical license, an individual has to go to one of the five PSI sites that issue licenses. They have 30 days to obtain this license after passing the exam. Ms. Mitchell also clarified that to reinstate a license an individual is only required to take 12 continuing education courses.

#### **Board Counsel Report**

Jamie Dalton introduced herself as the new board counsel.

#### **Application Review**

Kelly Belt - Ms. Belt appeared before the Board to discuss her an application for an Attorney Broker license. She confirmed her BBO license is current and in good standing.

A motion was made by Linda Kody and seconded by Kathy Condon: To allow the candidate to continue with the application process

Roll call vote. In favor: Kathy Condon, Linda Kody, Peter Ruffini

#### Discussion

#### **Correspondence – Previewing Agreements**

The Board discussed that the Massachusetts licensing law has not changed. Peter Ruffini will work with Kristin Mitchell and Jamie Dalton to address new developments through the FAQ's on the Board's website.

#### Matters not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of the meeting

Nothing to report.

At 10:28 a.m., a motion was made by Kathy Condon and seconded by Linda Kody and it was so

Voted: To Exit Open Session and enter Closed Quasi-Judicial Session for the purpose of conducting adjudicatory conferences pursuant to G. L. c. 30A, § 18, ¶ 5(d).

Roll call vote. In favor: Kathy Condon, Linda Kody, Peter Ruffini

At 10:54 a.m., the Board exited Closed Quasi-Judicial Session and entered Closed Executive Session to discuss individuals' character rather than competence pursuant to G.L. c. 112, § 30A, § 21(a)(1) and to comply with the public records law pursuant to G.L. c. 66, § 10 and G.L. c. 4, § 7, ¶ 26(c) to protect highly personal information relating to a named individual pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(7).

Roll call vote. In favor: Kathy Condon, Linda Kody, Peter Ruffini

At 12:01 p.m., the Board exited Closed Executive Session and entered Closed Session pursuant to G.L. c. 112, § 65C for the purpose of conducting investigatory conferences.

Roll call vote. In favor: Kathy Condon, Linda Kody, Peter Ruffini

During closed session, the Board took the following actions:

2024-000706-IT ENF – refer to Prosecutions 2024-000123-IT-ENF – dismiss with advisory 2024-000163-IT-ENF – refer to Prosecutions 2024-000168-IT-ENF – dismiss 2024-000205-IT-ENF – refer to Prosecutions 2024-000206-IT-ENF – dismiss 2024-000246-IT-ENF – dismiss 2024-000256-IT-ENF – refer to Prosecutions 2024-000256-IT-ENF – dismiss with advisory 2024-000260-IT-ENF – dismiss 2024-000275-IT-ENF – dismiss 2024-000278-IT-ENF – refer to Prosecutions 2024-000279-IT-ENF – refer to Prosecutions 2024-000279-IT-ENF – refer to Prosecutions 2024-000325-IT-ENF – refer to Prosecutions 2024-000325-IT-ENF – refer to Prosecutions 2024-000325-IT-ENF – refer to Prosecutions

At 1:19 p.m., a motion was made by Linda Kody and seconded by Kathy Condon to exit closed session and enter open session for the purpose of adjourning the meeting

Respectfully Submitted by:

Mistin Mitchel

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Kristin Mitchell, Executive Director

## List of documents used during the Public Meeting:

- September 18, 2024 meeting agenda
- Kelly Belt Attorney broker application and related discipline documents
- Correspondence re: Previewing Agreements