



Illinois Department of Financial and
Professional Regulation

NEWS

SPRINGFIELD, IL - The Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR) announced today that Director of Financial Institutions, Francisco Menchaca, Acting Director of Professional Regulation, Cecilia Abundis, and Director of Real Estate, Mario Treto Jr. signed the following enforcement actions taken during the month of **October 2020**.

DIVISION OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

CONSUMER CREDIT SECTION

American Cycle Finance, Marlborough, MA - entered settlement with the Department related to citations in SFAA annual exams.

Byrider Finance, Peoria - entered settlement with the Department related to citations in SFAA annual exams.

Cashcity Loans, Burbank - entered settlement with the Department related to citations in PLRA annual exams.

Drive Now Auto Credit, Elgin - entered settlement with the Department related to citations in SFAA annual exams.

Innovate Loan Servicing Corporation, Fort Worth, TX - entered settlement with the Department related to citations in SFAA annual exams and relating to its surety bond.

Meritize Lending LLC, Frisco, TX - entered settlement with the Department related to citations in CILA annual exams.

Short Term Loans, Des Plaines - entered settlement with the Department related to citations in PLRA annual exams.

DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

BARBER, COSMETOLOGY, ESTHETICS, HAIR BRAIDING & NAIL TECHNOLOGY

Alisia Horton, Rantoul, 011302957 - cosmetology license suspended for 180 days effective nunc pro tunc to February 3, 2020, based on a violation of probation.

Michele Salvadore, St. Charles, 011228761 - cosmetology license reprimanded based on unprofessional conduct.

COLLECTION AGENCY

Ad Astra Recovery Services, Inc., Wichita, KS, 017022336 - collection agency license to be issued and placed on indefinite probation with conditions for a minimum of two years and fined \$20,000 based on material misstatements to the Department and sister-state disciplines.

Lyon Collection Services, Inc., Las Vega, NV, 017020567 - collection agency license reprimanded based on a sister-state discipline.

DENTAL

Ala'a Al Arabi, West Des Moines, IA, 019032950 – dental license issued with reprimand for adverse action received in the sister-state of Iowa.

PRIVATE DETECTIVE, PRIVATE ALARM, PRIVATE SECURITY & LOCKSMITH

Joseph Baker, Chicago, 129349295 - permanent employee registration card suspended for being more than 30 days delinquent in the payment of child support.

Leonard Davis, Chicago, 129454611 - permanent employee registration card issued and placed on non-reporting probation for two years due to a violation of the Act.

Willie Doss, Chicago, 129427855 - permanent employee registration card suspended for being more than 30 days delinquent in the payment of child support.

Reggie Dowdell, Chicago, 129454610 - permanent employee registration card issued and placed on non-reporting probation for two years due to a violation of the Act.

Alejandro Gomez, Rockford, 129454603 - permanent employee registration card issued and placed on non-reporting probation for two years due to a violation of the Act.

Edgar Gomez, Chicago, 129454602 - permanent employee registration card issued and placed on non-reporting probation for one year due to a violation of the Act.

Joshua Holyfield, Calumet City, 129454643 - permanent employee registration card issued and placed on non-reporting probation for two years due to a violation of the Act.

Melvin Jones, Chicago, 119001071 - private security contractor license restored from refuse to renew status to non-reporting probation for two years effective upon payment of fees and filing of forms.

Benjamin Kasper, Brookfield, 129455426 - permanent employee registration card to be issued and placed on indefinite, non-reporting probation for a minimum of one year due to a violation of the Act.

Jeffery Perkins, Chicago, 129374972 - permanent employee registration card suspended for being more than 30 days delinquent in the payment of child support.

Walter Riley-Palmer, Chicago, 129454794 - permanent employee registration card issued and placed on non-reporting probation for two years due to a violation of the Act.

Kyle Sthilaire, Naperville, 129454735 - permanent employee registration card issued and placed on non-reporting probation for two years due to a violation of the Act.

FUNERAL DIRECTOR AND EMBALMER

Fred Hub, Chicago Heights, 034010506 - funeral director and embalmer license reprimanded and fined \$1,500 based on failure to secure a permit from the local registrar for an out-of-state burial.

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT

Steven Richardson, West Lake Hills, TX, 085007118 - physician assistant license placed on permanent surrender status due to a sister-state discipline by the Idaho State Board of Medicine in September 2020 that was based on a California action.

ROOFING CONTRACTOR

All Major Restorations, Moline, 104017103 - roofing contractor license placed in refuse to renew status based on failure to respond to Department's written information request and unprofessional conduct.

Thomas Fleming, Chicago, 105008951 - roofing qualifying party designation issued but acceptance thereof indefinitely suspended based on a violation of the Act and unprofessional conduct.

Nationwide General Contractors, Downers Grove, 104016953 - roofing contractor license placed in refuse to renew status based on unprofessional conduct.

Regio Contractors Management Corp, Peoria, 104017333 - roofing contractor license reprimanded and fined \$5,000 based on unprofessional conduct.

MEDICAL

Ashok Bharucha, Onalaska, WI, 036122705 - physician and surgeon license placed in refuse to renew status after being disciplined by the New Hampshire Board of Medicine for sexual misconduct.

Robert Buchla, Yorkville, 038006618 - chiropractor license suspended for being more than 30 days delinquent in the payment of child support.

Marius Gadianu, Gurnee, 036154553 - physician and surgeon license issued with reprimand due to an adverse action taken by the State of Michigan in April of 2019.

Richard Harris, Melrose Park, 036063183 - physician and surgeon license reprimanded with CME and EBAS requirements and fined \$2000 for alleged inappropriate prescribing of Schedule IV controlled substances to an individual for approximately 18 months.

Richard Kiang, Willowbrook, 036076533 - physician and surgeon license placed on indefinite probation for a minimum of three years, must pass EBAS Examination, complete 10 hours of CME and fined \$25,000 for providing medically unnecessary nerve conduction studies and electromyography to patients of B-T Neuro Diagnostics.

Gopichand Naguboyina, Chicago, 036130841 - physician and surgeon license reprimanded and must complete 15 CME's for failure to diagnose.

Latha Polavarapu, Joliet, 036120015 - physician and surgeon license reprimanded, must complete CME's and fined \$2,500 for improper prescribing of an estrogen supplement without also prescribing progesterone.

Joseph Probst, South Beloit, 038008186 - chiropractor license suspended for 60 days, thereafter placed on six month probation and must complete 10 CME's after allegedly the respondent failed to report the Department that his Medicare enrollment and billing privileges were revoked by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services effective July 30, 2018, in violation of the January 2018 Consent Order.

Robert Rozner, Naperville, 036077756 - physician and surgeon license reprimanded, must complete 20 hours of CME and fined \$2,500 for failure to diagnose unstable angina.

Clarke Shih, Loves Park, 038007734 - chiropractor license reprimanded, must pass EBAS examination, complete 20 CME's and fined \$7,500 for operating a med spa that performed ablative laser hair removal without the supervision of a licensed physician.

Jamiere Smith, Chicago, 036087325 - physician and surgeon license continued on indefinite probation for a minimum of one year, fined \$1,000 and prior fine of \$20,00 dated 10/13/2016 is null and void.

Donald Unwin, Swansea, 036084822 - physician and surgeon license reprimanded, must complete 10 CME's and fined \$1,000 for implanting in the anterior chamber an intraocular lens designed for use in the posterior chamber.

NURSING

Carrie Blaser, Rockford, 041339032 - registered professional nurse license and advanced practice nurse license, **209008148** both placed on indefinite probation for a minimum of three years and

advanced practice registered nurse controlled substance license indefinitely suspended for a minimum of 12 months due to Respondent's plea of guilty to misappropriation of identification information, a felony, related to Respondent's theft of a co-workers DEA information to forge prescriptions for self-use.

Tina Booker, Chicago, 041409707 - registered professional nurse license reprimanded and must cooperate with participating in training for handling and disposing of medications for removing a patient's medication from the patient's apartment.

Michelle Dunkel, Fort Wayne, IN, 041435916 - registered professional nurse license placed on indefinite probation due to disciplinary action taken by the state of Alaska and unprofessional conduct.

Abbey Elam, Sullivan, 043115771 - practical nurse license indefinitely suspended due to respondent's drug diversion, failure to report a final adverse action taken by a healthcare institution to the Department, filing of false records, and making a false or fraudulent statement on a document connected to her practice as a nurse.

Sherry Hansen, Wyandot, 041334441 - registered professional nurse license placed on indefinite probation for a minimum of two years for violation of the Act due to a positive drug test resulting in termination of her employment.

Latoya Marshall, Sauk Village, 043118267 - practical nurse license placed on indefinite probation for a minimum of two years due to diversion.

Amy Mattingly, Westfield, IN, 041243389 - registered professional nurse license placed on indefinite probation due to respondent's sister-state discipline and failure to report said discipline to the Department.

Sabrina Oxarart, Streator, 041424098 - registered professional nurse license indefinitely suspended due to unprofessional conduct, drug diversion, and failure to report termination from a health care institution.

Mohammad Qureshi, Algonquin, 043112522 - practical nurse license placed on probation for 27 months for violation of the Act due to conviction for felony manufacture and delivery of cannabis.

Brenda Regas, Bradley, 043091254 - practical nurse license automatically, indefinitely suspended for a minimum of 12 months due to respondent's violation of a Care, Counseling and Treatment Agreement.

Ralene Spitzig, Huntsville, AL, 043129697 - practical nurse issued with a reprimand due to applicant's sister-state discipline for practicing with an expired license.

PHARMACY

Remy Onimoe, Solon, OH, 051296426 - pharmacist license temporarily suspended due to a finding that respondent's continued practice constitutes an imminent danger to the public after the Michigan State Board of Pharmacy summarily suspended respondent's pharmacy license.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

Barbara McKinzie, Olympia Fields, 065015728 - licensed certified public accountant license reprimanded as a result of an October 10, 2016 American Arbitration Award totaling \$1.344 million for a proven breach of fiduciary duty, conversion, and unjust enrichment related to valuation of Ms. McKinzie's compensation package for service in her role as Supreme basileus ("President") during years 2006-2010. Ms. McKinzie's conduct was not directly related to accounting practice.

RESPIRATORY CARE

Rebecca Shook, Dallas, TX, 194091577 - respiratory care practitioner license issued and placed on indefinite probation due to applicant's violation of the Act.

DIVISION OF REAL ESTATE

AUCTIONEER

CNI Global Ventures Inc, Gilberts, 444000429 - auction firm license revoked and fined \$3,500 for engaging in the practice of auctioneering, conducting an auction, or providing an auction service after its license was expired. This auction firm is also jointly and severally liable for the \$5,000 fine of David Gerber.

David Gerber, 441001376, Elgin - auction license suspended for a minimum period of 1 year and fined \$5,000 for engaging in the practice of auctioneering, conducting an auction, or providing an auction service after its license was expired. This auction firm is also jointly and severally liable for the \$3,500 fine of CNI Global Venture.

Del Peterson and Associates, Fremont NE, 44400311 - auction firm license revoked and fined \$5,000 for engaging in the practice of auctioneering, conducting an auction, or providing an auction service after its license was expired. This auction firm is also jointly and severally liable for the \$25,000 fine of Steven Peterson.

Steven Peterson, Fremont NE, 441000496 - auction license suspended and fined \$25,000 for engaging in the practice of auctioneering, conducting an auction, or providing an auction service after its license was expired. This auction license is also jointly and severally liable for the \$5,000 fine of Del Peterson and Associates.

Hatzer and Nordstrom Equipment, Annawan, 444000156 - auction firm license revoked and fined \$20,000 for engaging in the practice of auctioneering, conducting an auction, or providing an auction service after its license was expired.

Dustin Polhemus, Hanna City, 441000239 - auction license revoked and fined \$20,000 for unlicensed practice, issuing a check for the proceeds from an auction which was returned for insufficient funds, and practicing with a name that was not registered with the Department as an Assumed Business Name or licensed as an Auction Firm.

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MANAGER

Amanda Grandys, Chicago, 261002690 - community association managers license fined \$500 for working without a community association manager license.

Maria Kharot, Morton Grove, 261002415 - community association manager license fined \$500 for working without a community association manager license.

HOME INSPECTOR

Jerry Sarich, Shorewood, 450003480 and Accurate Home Inspections of Illinois, Shorewood, 451000889 - home inspector license and home inspector entity license fined \$1,000 jointly and severally due to performing home inspection services under the name Accurate Home Inspections of Illinois, Inc in 2018 while that company was not licensed in the State of Illinois as a home inspector entity and failed to include a structural crack in a report.

REAL ESTATE

Diane Huffine, Dillon CO, 471018513 - real estate managing broker license fined \$1,500 for failure to complete continuing education prior to renewing the license and for stating on the renewal application that the continuing education had been completed.

Walter Simmons, Chicago, 471017684 - real estate managing broker license fined \$1,000 for failure to complete continuing education prior to renewing the license and for stating on the renewal application that the continuing education had been completed.

George Slowinski, Frankfort, 471004012 - real estate managing broker license revoked for violations of the Securities and Exchange Acts and Rules.

Bradley Toothaker, Edwardsburg MI, 471018413 - real estate managing broker license fined \$1,500 for failure to complete continuing education prior to renewing the license and for stating on the renewal application that the continuing education had been completed.

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