



**Pennsylvania
DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

**STATE BUSINESS LICENSING BOARDS
DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS
March 2008**

Secretary of the Commonwealth Pedro A. Cortés and Basil L. Merenda, Commissioner of the Department of State's Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs, announced that 27 disciplinary actions have been taken by certain state business licensing boards. The following boards actively examined whether the citizens of the commonwealth are being protected: Accountancy; Architects; Auctioneer Examiners; Barber Examiners; Certified Real Estate Appraisers; Cosmetology; Funeral Directors; Landscape Architects; and Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors and Geologists.

Of these, the boards listed below took specific action against individuals or firms in these counties: Allegheny (2 actions); Berks (1 action); Centre (1 action); Delaware (2 actions); Fayette (1 action); Indiana (1 action); Lackawanna (2 actions); Lehigh (1 action); Luzerne (2 actions); Monroe (1 action); Philadelphia (7 actions); Snyder (1 action); Venango (1 action); and Wayne (2 actions).

Two actions involved Pennsylvania licenses with out-of-state addresses.

BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

Berks County

Marlene S. Haws, license No. CA034753L, of Bernville, Berks County, was assessed a \$1,000 civil penalty and ordered to complete 18.2 hours of make-up continuing education based on her failure to fulfill her continuing education requirement for the 2003-2004 reporting period. (03-12-08)

BOARD OF ARCHITECTS LICENSURE

No disciplinary actions were taken.

BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS

Philadelphia County

Coco's Barber Shop, of Philadelphia, Philadelphia County, was ordered to pay a civil penalty of \$250, because it operated a barber shop without a license. (03-31-08)

Gerald Morrow, license nos. BM002445L and BO045408L of Philadelphia, Philadelphia County, was ordered to pay a civil penalty of \$1,000. His license was also publicly reprimanded, because Morrow violated the Act in that he was practicing barbering on August 23, 2005 while his license was expired. (03-31-08)

BOARD OF CERTIFIED REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS

Centre County

Joy L. Stephens, license no. RL001130L of PA, Centre County, was ordered to pay a civil penalty of \$2,000 and \$1,000 for the costs of investigation. She was also ordered to attend and successfully complete a 15 hour remedial professional education course, because Stephens violated the Act in that she failed to complete an appraisal assignment within the requirements of the Act, failed or refused to exercise reasonable diligence in developing an appraisal, preparing an appraisal report, or communicating an appraisal, and negligently or incompetently developing an appraisal, preparing an appraisal report, or communicating an appraisal. (03-20-08)

Fayette County

Cecil I. Verkleeren, broker/appraiser certificate no. BA002651L of Belle Vernon, Fayette County, permanently and voluntarily surrendered his broker/appraiser certificate, because he prepared an appraisal report that did not comply with the requirements of the USPAP; failed or refused to exercise reasonable diligence in developing an appraisal, preparing an appraisal or communicating an appraisal; and negligently or incompetently developed an appraisal, prepared an appraisal report, or communicated an appraisal. (03-20-08)

Indiana County

Wallace E. Putt, license no. RL000613L and BA001649L of Indiana, Indiana County, was ordered to pay a civil penalty of \$1,500, costs of investigation of \$750, and complete a 15-hour remedial professional education course, because Putt violated the Act in that she failed to complete an appraisal assignment within the requirements, failed or refused to exercise reasonable diligence in developing an appraisal, preparing an appraisal report, or communicating an appraisal, and by negligently or incompetently developing an appraisal, preparing an appraisal report, or communicating an appraisal. (03-20-08)

Out of State

Jean Pierre Lomonaco, certificate no. GA003451 of Culver City, CA, was ordered to pay a civil penalty of \$250 because he failed to complete the 2-hour mandatory continuing education course on PA law, regulations and policy prior to his filing of an application for renewal of his certificate. (03-20-08)

BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY

Allegheny County

Renate M. McNeal, t/d/b/a Hair Fanatics Design Studio, license no. CB103343L of Monroeville, Allegheny County, was ordered to pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$500, because she violated a lawful disciplinary order of the Board. (03-03-08)

Delaware County

Debra A. Feeser, license no. CQ000028L of Media, Delaware County, was ordered to pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$500, because Feeser practiced as an esthetician when she was not currently licensed and registered under the Act. (03-03-08)

Khon Chi Kim t/d/b/a U.S. Nail Salon, license no. CY108080 of Collingdale, Delaware County, was ordered to pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000, because Kim maintained an unlicensed cosmetology salon. (03-03-08)

Lackawanna County

Thu Pham t/d/b/a PA Nails, license no. CY108256 of Scranton, Lackawanna County, was ordered to pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$3,000, because Pham practiced cosmetology in a grossly incompetent or an unethical manner. (03-03-08)

Suton Scott Hair Studio, license no. CB116309, of Scranton, Lackawanna County had their license suspended for failure to obey a previously issued Board order. (03-12-08)

Lehigh County

Fashion Nail Salon II, license no. CY192680, of White Hall, Lehigh County had a \$1,200 civil penalty imposed for practicing cosmetology in a grossly incompetent or unethical manner and operating a salon before being licensed to do so. (03-11-08)

Luzerne County

Elizelda Kytte, license no. CB104528L of Dallas, Luzerne County, was ordered to pay a civil penalty of \$1,500, because Kytte violated the Act in that she, while trading and doing business as Salon Nouveau, practiced cosmetology in a grossly incompetent or unethical manner by the use of metal razor tools in the practice of cosmetology. (03-03-08)

Monroe County

Jean Murray, t/d/b/a New York Style Beauty Salon, license no. CB116920, of Stroudsburg, Monroe County, had a \$1,000 civil penalty, and requested to cease and desist issued upon her for practicing cosmetology without being licensed to do so. (03-11-08)

Philadelphia County

Hue T. Nguyen, license no. CY105851L of Philadelphia, Philadelphia County, was ordered to pay a civil penalty of \$1,700, because Nguyen violated the Act in that she, while trading and doing business as Lisa's Nails, used metal razor tools

and razor blades in the practice of nail technology, and had unsanitary conditions of 2 pedicure basins. (03-03-08)

Marlene B. Cota t/d/b/a Brazilian Hair Style, license no. CB117210 of Philadelphia, Philadelphia County, was ordered to pay a civil penalty of \$500, because Ms. Cota violated the Act in that she, while trading and doing business as Brazilian Hair Style, employed an unlicensed employee in the practice of cosmetology. (03-03-08)

Tracey Calhoun, t/d/b/a Miricles Hair Care Salon, license no. CB089197L of Philadelphia, Philadelphia County, was ordered to pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$500, because the salon was operated on a lapsed license. (03-03-08)

Hoa K. Lieu, td/b/a Best Asian Nail Supply and Service, license no. CZ116038 of Philadelphia, Philadelphia County, was ordered to pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$300, because the salon did not have the minimum required equipment. (03-03-08)

Phong Thanh Ly, license no. CL178214, of Philadelphia, Philadelphia County had their license to practice cosmetology suspended for failure to comply with a previously issued Board order. (03-10-08)

Snyder County

Golden Nail, license no. CY104974L, of Selinsgrove, Snyder County had a civil penalty of \$1,000 imposed up their license for maintaining an unlicensed cosmetology salon. (03-11-08)

Venango County

Glamour Nails, license no. CY193796, of Cranberry Township, Venango County had a \$1,500 civil penalty issued for practicing cosmetology in a grossly incompetent manner. (03-11-08)

Wayne County

Glamour Day Spa LLC, license no. CY192738 of Hawley, Wayne County, was ordered to pay a civil penalty of \$500, because it violated the Act in that it used a razor scraping tool in the practice of nail technology. (03-03-08)

Melissa Herzog t/d/b/a Simply Serene, license no. CO223269L and CB105082L of Hawley, Wayne County, was ordered to pay a civil penalty of \$950, because Herzog, while trading and doing business as Simply Serene, violated the Act in that she practiced cosmetology in a grossly incompetent or unethical manner, violated the Board's regulations regarding minimum equipment requirements, and violated the Board's regulations in that no part of a cosmetology salon may be used for other purposes. (03-03-08)

STATE BOARD OF FUNERAL DIRECTORS

Luzerne County

Robert T. Lussi/Howell-Lussi Funeral Home, license nos. FD012605L & FO002061 of West Pittston, Luzerne County, were ordered to pay a civil penalty of \$1,000 because Robert Lussi failed to ensure that the funeral home advertised the name of a deceased funeral director by using the notation deceased. (03-05-08)

STATE BOARD OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

Allegheny County

Patricia K. Kendall, license no. LA000772E of Sewickley, Allegheny County, was ordered to pay a civil penalty of \$4,600, because she practiced landscape architecture and/or used her name in conjunction with the term "landscape architect" when she was not duly licensed or registered under the Act. (03-13-08)

STATE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, LAND SURVEYORS AND GEOLOGISTS

Out of State

Vincent E. Small, P.E., license no. PE045790R of Mullica Hill, NJ, was ordered to pay a civil penalty of \$2,500, because he practiced professional engineering, represented himself to be an engineer and sealed engineering documents all during a period when he did not hold a current, valid registration. (03-19-08)

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A complete list of sanctions is available online at

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