



THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT / THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK / ALBANY, NY 12234

TO: The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents

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SUBJECT: Rescission of Professional Licenses of Three Registered Professional Nurses, Two Clinical Laboratory Technologists, One Architect, and One Speech-Language Pathologist

DATE: April 16, 2012

AUTHORIZATION(S):

Issue for Consent Agenda

Should the Board of Regents direct the Department to rescind the licenses of three registered professional nurses, two clinical laboratory technologists, one architect, and one speech-language pathologist who were issued licenses in error?

Reason(s) for Consideration

Required by State Statute.

Proposed Handling

This question will come before the full Board at its April 2012 meeting where it will be voted on and action taken.

Procedural History

The Board of Regents has the authority to supervise the admission to and the practice of the professions. When an error, omission, delay or other circumstance in the issuance of a registration or a license occurs, the Board is authorized to direct the Department to remedy the situation (Education Law section 6506[7]).

Background Information

The State Education Department issues approximately 45,000 new licenses each year and reviews thousands more. Due to a variety of factors, normally involving multiple license types in one professional area, we have found licensing errors on the average of once per year. While we cancel the registration for those licenses such that they are not practicing under that registration, it is desirable to clean up our database and remove those licenses. Education Law section 6506 specifically allows the Board of Regents to authorize the Department to correct such licensing errors.

Clinical laboratory technology licensee Jinghua Li was licensed on May 8, 2008 in error. Ms. Li promptly returned the license parchment #013302 and registration certificate to the Division of Professional Licensing Services.

Clinical laboratory technology licensee Enisa Hodzic was licensed on February 9, 2011 in error. Ms. Hodzic promptly returned the license parchment #015986 and registration certificate to the Division of Professional Licensing Services.

A registered professional nurse license #621832 was issued to licensed practical nurse licensee Afolabi Samuel in error on September 17, 2009. Mr. Samuel has not responded to requests to return the license parchment and registration certificate for the RN license.

A registered professional nurse license #636264 was issued to Rachelle Marie Chu Ong in error on October 5, 2010. Ms. Ong promptly returned the license parchment and registration certificate to the Division of Professional Licensing Services. She has subsequently been licensed as a licensed practical nurse.

Jon Laurence Green was issued registered professional nurse license #420845 on April 12, 1990. He was issued a second license registered professional nurse license #422667 in error. Rescission of the second license is needed.

David Joel Bennett was licensed as an architect #018642 on January 5, 1987 and was issued a second license as an architect #026867 in error on September 8, 1998. Rescission of the first license is needed as the licensee has continually used the second license since 1998.

Anna Vaysman was issued a speech-language pathologist license #020749 in error on February 11, 2011. She has subsequently met the requirements for licensure and has been issued a new license number #021721. Rescission of the first license is needed. Ms. Vaysman has returned the erroneous parchment and registration.

All licensees were given an opportunity to submit additional qualifying experience or additional information in order to meet the requirements for licensure. Additionally, they were all given ample notice that the rescission of the licenses issued in error by the Board of Regents would be a public matter.

Recommendation

I recommend that the Board of Regents take the following action:

VOTED: That the State Education Department is directed to rescind the licenses of the licensees identified in Attachment 1 to this item, effective immediately.

Timetable for Implementation

Upon receipt of direction from the Board of Regents, the Division of Professional Licensing Services will rescind the referenced licenses forthwith.

Licensees Recommended for Annulment

Jinghua Li
Clinical Laboratory Technologist License #013302

Enisa Hodzic
Clinical Laboratory Technologist License #015986

Afolabi Samuel
Registered Professional Nurse License #621832

Rachelle Marie Chu Ong
Registered Professional Nurse License #636264

Jon Laurence Green a/k/a Theodore Maher
Registered Professional Nurse License #422667

David Joel Bennett
Architect License #018642

Anna Vaysman
Speech-Language Pathologist License #020749