

STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL  
LAND SURVEYORS

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BEFORE THE STATE BOARD  
FOR PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

v.

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CASE NO.: 15-LS-07

STEVEN H. JUPITZ  
RESPONDENT

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**CONSENT ORDER AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

This matter comes before the State Board for Professional Land Surveyors ("Board") as the result of an audit of the continuing education hours conducted by the Board in connection with the Respondent, Steven H. Jupitz's renewal application filed with the Board on or about January 22, 2015. As part of the audit, the Board requested the Respondent provide documentation of the 24 contact hours of continuing education or continuing competency credits ("CPCs") taken between January 2013 and the date of the renewal of his license, on January 22, 2015. The audit revealed that the Respondent did not complete the CPC credits required for the renewal. As a means of resolving this matter, the Board and the Respondent have agreed to enter into this Consent Order and agree and stipulate to the following:

1. On January 22, 2015, the Respondent submitted an electronic application for the renewal of his property line surveyor's license number 499.
2. Pursuant to Section 15-314(f) of the Business Occupations and Professions Article, Maryland Code Annotated and the Code of Maryland Regulations ("COMAR") at 09.13.08.04, the Respondent was required to complete 24 contact hours of CPC units during the 24 month period preceding his application to renew his license.
3. In an application for renewal filed on January 22, 2015, it was certified that the Respondent had fulfilled the requirement to complete the 24 contact hours of CPC units during the prior licensing period.
4. Based on the certification that he had obtained the required CPC units and other information provided in the Respondent's application, the Board renewed the Respondent's license for the licensing period of January 22, 2015 through January 22, 2017.
5. On January 22, 2015, after the submission of the Respondent's electronic application for renewal, the Board sent notice of an audit of the Respondent's CPC. On January 25, 2015, the Respondent obtained the 24 hours of CPC units and submitted the documentation of his completion of the requirements to the Board.
6. The Respondent's failure to have the required CPC units prior to the submission of his application to renew the license on January 22, 2015 was in violation of Sections 15-314(f), 15-

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317(a)(1)(v) and (vi), Business Occupations and Professions Article, Maryland Annotated Code and COMAR 09.13.08.04.

7. The Respondent agrees to pay a fine in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) in connection with the violations cited in this Consent Order and Settlement Agreement for his failure to have the required CPC units before his application for renewal was submitted to the Board. The fine is to be paid within thirty (30) days of the date of this Consent Order and Settlement Agreement.

8. The Respondent waives the right to have the Board issue a statement of charges and a formal hearing on the charges before the Board and at which time the Respondent would have the opportunity to present a defense to the violations.

9. The Respondent agrees that if the Respondent fails to pay the fine as provided for in this Consent Order and Settlement Agreement, the Respondent's license will immediately be suspended by the Board, without a hearing on the suspension, and that the suspension will continue until the Respondent evidences compliance with the terms and conditions of this Consent Order and Settlement Agreement.

10. The Respondent and the Board understand that this Consent Order and Settlement Agreement will serve as the Final Order in this matter and be part of the Respondent's licensing record maintained by the Board. The Board's records and publications will reflect the terms of the Consent Order and Settlement Agreement.

**WHEREFORE, based on the stipulations and agreements, it is hereby this 11<sup>TH</sup> day of May 2015, ORDERED by the Board;**

I. That the Respondent has violated Sections 15-314(f), 15-317(a)(1)(v) and (vi) of the Business Occupations and Professions Article, Maryland Annotated Code, and COMAR 09.13.08.04.

II. That the Respondent will pay a fine of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) in connection with the violations, within thirty (30) days of the date of this Consent Order and Settlement Agreement.

III. That in the event the Respondent does not pay the fine within thirty (30) days of the Consent Order and Settlement Agreement, the Board will immediately suspend the license held by the Respondent, without a hearing on the suspension. The suspension will continue until such time as the Respondent evidences compliance with the terms of the Consent Order and Settlement Agreement.

IV. That the records of the Board reflect that this matter was resolved by execution of this Consent Order and Settlement Agreement.

  
Steven H. Jupitz, Respondent

  
Chairman,  
State Board for Professional Land Surveyors

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