

**BEFORE THE LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINING BOARD  
OF THE STATE OF IOWA**

**IN THE MATTER OF:**

**Dennis P. Reynolds,  
License No. 00270,**

**RESPONDENT.**

**Case No. 19-03**

**STATEMENT OF CHARGES,  
SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT, AND  
CONSENT ORDER**

**A. Statement of Charges**

1. The Iowa Landscape Architectural Examining Board (“Board”) has jurisdiction of this disciplinary matter pursuant to Iowa Code chapters 17A, 272C, and 544B (2020).

2. Dennis P. Reynolds, (“Respondent”) was originally issued an Iowa landscape architect license, number 00270, on January 15, 1987.

3. Respondent did not renew his license, and thus his registration lapsed on June 30, 1999.

4. In 2015 Respondent was found to have practiced landscape architecture with a lapsed license in a Consent Order in Case No. 15-01. As part of the 15-01 Consent Order, Respondent agreed to not engage in any future practice of landscape architecture unless his landscape architect license in Iowa was active.

5. On November 5, 2019, an investigator for the Board contacted a staff member at the City of Des Moines Urban Design Review Board. The staff member confirmed that Respondent was serving on the Urban Design Review Board in a position designated for a licensed landscape architect and Respondent had represented that he was a landscape architect.

6. By serving on the Urban Design Review Board, Respondent practiced landscape architecture and held himself out as landscape architect after his registration had lapsed, in violation of Iowa Code sections 544B.2, 544B.15(3) and Iowa Administrative Code rule 193D—2.8(5).

7. Respondent violated the terms of the 15-01 Consent Order by not receiving his Iowa landscape architect license prior to engaging in the practice of landscape architecture.

7. The Board and Respondent have agreed to fully resolve these charges through the following Settlement Agreement and Consent Order, as allowed by Iowa Administrative Code rule 193D—4.5(9), rather than proceed to a contested case hearing.

## **B. Settlement Agreement and Consent Order**

14. Respondent acknowledges he violated Iowa Code sections 544B.2, 544B.15(3) and Iowa Administrative Code rule 193D—2.8(5) and the terms of the 15-01 Consent Order. by practicing landscape architecture and holding himself out as a landscape architect after his license lapsed.

15. Respondent has a right to a hearing on the charges, but waives his right to hearing and all attendant rights, including the right to seek judicial review, by freely and voluntarily entering into this Settlement Agreement and Consent Order. This Settlement Agreement and Consent Order constitutes discipline against the Respondent, and is the final agency order in the contested case, pursuant to Iowa Code section 17A.10 and Iowa Administrative Code rule 193—7.4. Respondent acknowledges he had the opportunity to consult with legal counsel before signing this Settlement Agreement and Consent Order.

16. Respondent agrees the State's counsel may present this Order to the Board and may have ex parte communications with the Board while presenting it.

17. This Order shall be part of the permanent record of Respondent and shall be considered by the Board in determining the nature and severity of any future disciplinary action to be imposed in the event of any future violations.

18. This Statement of Charges, Settlement Agreement and Consent Order is a public record available for inspection and copying in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code chapter 22.

19. Failure to comply with the provisions of this Order may be grounds for further disciplinary action. However, no action may be taken against Respondent for violations of these provisions without a hearing, or waiver of hearing.

20. This Order is subject to approval of the Board:

(a) If the Board fails to approve this Order, it shall be of no force or effect on either party, and it shall not be admissible for any purpose in further proceedings in this matter.

(b) If the Board approves this Order, it shall fully dispose of all issues in this case.

### **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

#### **A. Civil Penalty**

Respondent agrees to pay a civil penalty in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) within thirty (30) days of the Board's approval of this Settlement Agreement and Consent Order. All civil penalty payments shall be deposited into the State of Iowa general fund.

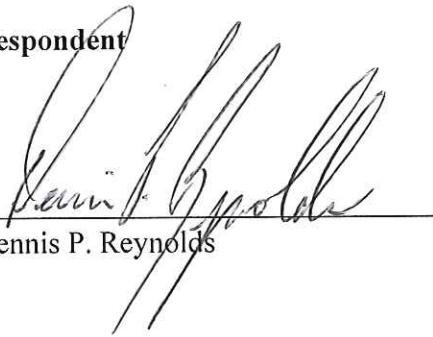
**B. Agreement to Refrain from Lapsed Practice**

Respondent agrees to refrain from the practice of landscape architecture and from holding himself out as a landscape architect in Iowa while his Iowa landscape architecture license is lapsed.

**C. Future Compliance**

Respondent is ordered to obey all applicable Iowa laws and rules in the future.

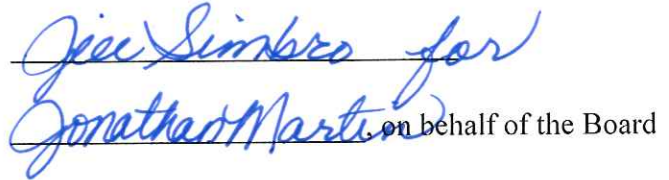
**Respondent**



Dennis P. Reynolds

Dec. 23, 2020  
Date

**Iowa Landscape Architectural Examining Board**



Jonathan Martin on behalf of the Board

March 17, 2021  
Date