

BEFORE THE ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINING BOARD  
OF THE STATE OF IOWA

Department of Commerce  
Professional Licensing Bureau

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Architecture

Board / Commission

Case No. 19-14

Signature, Executive Officer

IN THE MATTER OF:

Robert C. Carlson  
Architect license 02875

1122 Penkrige Drive  
Iowa City, IA 52240

Respondent.

VOLUNTARY SURRENDER  
OF AN ARCHITECT LICENSE  
THROUGH CONSENT ORDER

The Iowa Architectural Examining Board (Board) and Robert C. Carlson (Respondent) enter into this Voluntary Surrender of an Architect License through Consent Order (Order) pursuant to Iowa Code sections 17A.10, 272C.3, 544A.13, and 546.10(6) (2021) and Iowa Administrative Code rule 193—7.41.

**A. Statement of Charges**

1. The Board has jurisdiction of this disciplinary matter pursuant to Iowa Code chapters 17A, 272C, and 544A (2021).
2. Respondent holds architectural license number 02875, issued by the Board on September 13, 1988, which is active and expires on June 30, 2022.
3. On March 11, 2021, the Respondent was sentenced to two years of supervised probation with a ten year sex offender special sentence under Iowa Code section 903B.2 for nine counts of invasion of privacy, an aggravated misdemeanor, in Johnson County District Court, Case No. AGCR123024.
4. The nine counts of invasion of privacy were for acts which took place at Respondent's architecture firm, Carlson Design Team, targeting an employee of Respondent's.
5. Respondent is charged with violating Iowa Code section 544A.13(1), Iowa Administrative Code 193B—4.1(5) and 193B—4.1(6)d by willfully engaging in unethical conduct and not complying with the licensing laws and regulations.
6. Respondent did not notify the Board of his conviction within 30 days. Respondent is charged with violating Iowa Administrative Code 193B—4.1(5)a.

**B. Settlement Agreement and Consent Order**

7. 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

Order. This 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 Consent Order.

8. 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.

9. 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.

10. This Order is a public record available for inspection and copying in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code chapter 22.

11. 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.

12. 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. Voluntary Surrender**

The Respondent voluntarily agrees to surrender his architect license (02875) to the Board in lieu of a formal hearing as required by Iowa Code section 544A.13(3). The duration of the Respondent's license surrender shall be for no less than two years and the Board shall not grant an application for reinstatement until all terms of the sentencing order entered in State of Iowa v. Robert C. Carlson have been fully satisfied and discharged, including the discharge of the Iowa Code section 903B.2 special sentence. The effective date of the license surrender shall be on July 1, 2021.

**B. Licensee Reinstatement**

Reinstatement of the Respondent's architect license shall be governed by Iowa Code section 544A.8 and Iowa Administrative Code 193B — 2.2(3) and 2.6. The Respondent further acknowledges that he may not apply for reinstatement until the Respondent has successfully satisfied any applicable period of incarceration, parole, payment of all fines, and/or fulfillment of any other type of sentence, AND that reinstatement may or may not be granted by the Iowa Architectural Examining Board.

**WHEREFORE**, the terms of this Voluntary Surrender of an Architect License through Consent Order is agreed to by the Iowa Architectural Examining Board and the Respondent.

Voluntarily agreed to and accepted by Robert C. Carlson.

**The Respondent**

**Iowa Architectural Examining Board**



Robert C. Carlson



Scott Hatfield , Chair

6-18-2021

Date

7.29.2021

Date