IN THE MATTER OF

CASE NO.: 24-07

Paul Darryl Ringdahl Architect License 06020 COMBINED STATEMENT OF CHARGES, SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT, AND FINAL ORDER

RESPONDENT

COME NOW the Iowa Architectural Examining Board ("Board") and Paul Darryl Ringdahl ("Respondent") and enter into this combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement and Final Order ("Order") pursuant to Iowa Code sections 17A.10(2), 272C.3(4), and 272C.10 and 544A and Iowa Administrative Code 193B-6.1.

### A. BACKGROUND

- Iowa License. Respondent was issued Iowa architecture license 06020 on August 10, 2007. Respondent's Iowa architecture license is active and will next expire on June 30, 2025.
- 2. <u>Practice Setting</u>. Respondent is an Iowa licensed architect who currently lives in the State of Minnesota.
- 3. <u>Jurisdiction</u>. The Board has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 544A.
- 4. Allegations. The Board received a Stipulation and Consent Order and Cease and Desist Order (collectively, "Minnesota Order") entered between Respondent Paul Ringdahl and the Minnesota Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience and Interior Design ("Minnesota Board"). The Minnesota Order, finalized on March 21, 2024, was entered for "applying or authorizing the application of his seal or signature to a plan, specification, report plat, or other architectural or interior design document not prepared by the Respondent or prepared under the Respondent's direct supervision."

# B. STATEMENT OF CHARGES

#### COUNTI

5. Respondent is charged under Iowa Code 544A.13(1)(c) and 544A.29 and Iowa Administrative Code 193B-4.1(5)(d) for failing to notify the Board of the Minnesota Order.

## COUNT II

6. Respondent is charged under Iowa Code 544A.13(1)(c) and 544A.29 and Iowa Administrative Code 193B-4.1(5)(c) for failing to comply with the licensing laws and regulations governing the Respondent's professional practice in any United Status jurisdiction as evidenced by the Minnesota Order executed by the Minnesota Board on March 21, 2024.

#### C. SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

- 7. Respondent acknowledges that the allegations in the Statement of Charges, if proven in a contested case hearing, would constitute grounds for the discipline agreed to in this Order.
- 8. To resolve this matter without proceeding to hearing, Respondent agrees to the following conditions:
  - a. CITATION AND WARNING: Respondent is hereby CITED for failing to comply with Iowa Code 544A.13(1)(c) and 544A.29 and Iowa Administrative Code 193B-4.1(5)(c) and (d). Respondent is hereby WARNED that engaging in such conduct in the future may result in further disciplinary action against Respondent's Iowa architecture license.
  - b. CONTINUING EDUCATION: Respondent shall complete two (2) hours of continuing education hours related to ethics or professional conduct development. These continuing education hours shall conform to the requirements of Iowa Administrative Code chapter 193B—3. These hours shall not count towards

Respondent's continuing education requirement for renewal or reinstatement.

Respondent is solely responsible for all costs associated with obtaining these hours.

Respondent shall complete the hours after the execution date of this Order and provide the Board proof of completion within sixty (60) days of the Board's approval of this Order.

- a. FUTURE COMPLIANCE: Respondent is ordered to obey all applicable Iowa laws and rules in the future.
- 9. In entering this Order, Respondent acknowledges the following:
  - a. This Order is subject to the approval of the Board and will have no force or effect if it is not accepted by the Board.
  - b. Counsel for the State will present this Order to the Board ex parte.
  - c. I have the right to be represented by counsel in this matter.
  - d. I understand I have an opportunity to be heard and to contest the allegations against me in a formal hearing before the Board and that, by waiving the formal hearing, I waive my right to challenge the allegations against me and all attendant rights, including the right to seek judicial review of the Board's actions.
  - e. I waive my ability to review the investigative file in this case.
  - f. I understand this Order will be part of my permanent licensure file and may be considered by the Board in determining the nature and severity of any disciplinary action to be imposed in the event of any future violations.
  - g. I am voluntarily entering into this Order.
  - h. Failure to comply with the provisions of this Order shall be grounds for further disciplinary action pursuant to Iowa Code § 272C.3(2)(a).

- i. I understand the Board will report this Order to the National Council of Architecture Registration Boards. The report to the database will reflect the language included in this Order.
- j. I understand I am responsible for all expenses incurred to comply with the conditions and requirements of this Order.
- 12. Respondent shall submit a copy of this Order to all licensing boards where Respondent holds a license, whether active or not, within **THIRTY days** of the date of the Board approval of this Order.
- 13. This Order constitutes discipline against Respondent in accordance with Iowa Administrative Code rule 193—7.4 and is the final agency action in a contested case pursuant to Iowa Code section 17A.10 and Iowa Administrative Code rules 193—7.4 and 193—7.30.
- 14. This Order shall not preclude the Board from taking additional action against Respondent should Respondent violate laws, rules, or standards of practice administered by the Board in the future.
- 15. This Order becomes a public record available for inspection and copying upon execution in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code Chapters 17A, 22, and 272C.
  - 16. The Board's approval of this Order shall constitute a Final Order of the Board.

## D. FINAL ORDER

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

A. CITATION AND WARNING: Respondent is hereby CITED for failing to comply with Iowa Code 544A.13(1)(c) and 544A.29 and Iowa Administrative Code 193B-4.1(5)(c) and (d). Respondent is hereby WARNED that engaging in such conduct in the future

may result in further disciplinary action against Respondent's Iowa architecture license.

B. CONTINUING EDUCATION: Respondent shall complete two (2) hours of continuing education hours related to ethics or professional conduct development. These continuing education hours shall conform to the requirements of Iowa Administrative Code chapter 193B-3. These hours shall not count towards Respondent's continuing education requirement for renewal or reinstatement. Respondent is solely responsible for all costs associated with obtaining these hours. Respondent shall complete the hours after the execution date of this Order and provide the Board proof of completion within sixty (60) days of the Board's approval of this Order.

FUTURE COMPLIANCE: Respondent is ordered to obey all applicable Iowa C. laws and rules in the future.

FOR THE RESPONDENT:

Voluntarily agreed to and accepted by Respondent on this 15 day of 700, 2024.

FOR THE IOWA ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINING BOARD:

Volumerily agreed to and accepted by the Board on this 19 day of September, 2024.

CHAIR, Iowa Architectural Examining Board