

**Vermont Secretary of State
Office of Professional Regulation**

**BOARD OF PRIVATE INVESTIGATIVE & SECURITY SERVICES
Unapproved Minutes
May 15, 2015**

Board Members Present: James Eckhardt, Chair; Anita Bobee, Vice-Chair; Robert Wernecke, Secretary; Richard Murphy; and Franklin Davis.

Staff Present: George Belcher, Presiding Officer; Lauren Hibbert, Prosecuting Attorney; Gabriel Gilman, General Counsel; Carla Preston, Case Manager; and Kara Shangraw, Licensing Board Specialist.

Others present: Scott Churchill; Elizabeth Ivy; Robert Frankson; Mark Stockton; and Kent Maxfield.

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:12 a.m. by the Board Chair, James Eckhardt.
2. The Board reviewed the Minutes of the March 20th meeting. Mr. Murphy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Davis, to approve the minutes of the March 20, 2015 meeting as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Case Manager Report/Concluded Investigations –

Ms. Preston gave her Case Managers Report, there are currently 13 pending cases.

4. Hearings/Reports/Stipulations –

The Board held a Hearing in the matters of 2014-201 & 2014-202 (Scott E. Churchill & Eastern Private Detectives, Inc.). Judge Belcher, was the presiding officer for the hearing. The respondent was present. Attorney Hibbert was present for the State. Based on the information provided, the Board went into deliberative session at 12:02 p.m. and out at 12:20 p.m. The Board dismissed the charges. A written decision will be mailed to Mr. Churchill. Mr. Eckhardt investigative team member abstained from the hearing.

The Board held a preliminary denial hearing in the matter of Elizabeth Ivy. Ms. Ivy was present for the hearing. Attorney Gilman, was the presiding officer for the hearing. Based on the information provided, the Board went into deliberative session at 12:51 p.m. and out at 1:08 p.m. The Board reversed the preliminary denial, and granted Ms. Ivy her license. Ms. Bobee investigative team member abstained from the hearing.

5. Reports/Guests/Legislative Updates

6. Applications/Programs/Requests to review –

The Board reviewed the Qualifying Agent application for Robert G. Brockway. Based on the information submitted, Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bobee, to approve the Qualifying Agent application for Mr. Brockway. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Applications/Programs/Requests to review – Continued:

The Board reviewed the request for waiver of the 40 hours of training for Kenneth Mayhew. Based in the information submitted, Mr. Murphy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Davis, to grant the waiver of training. Motion passed 4-0. Mr. Eckhardt abstained from the vote.

The Board reviewed the request for waiver of the 40 hours of training for Ethan Bird. Based in the information submitted, Mr. Murphy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Davis, to grant the waiver of training. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the Firearms training instructor application for Robert Frankson. Based on the information submitted, Mr. Wernecke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Murphy, to approve the application for Mr. Frankson as a Firearms training instructor. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Follow Ups

8. Correspondence

9. Other Business –

The Board discussed whether to appoint a hearing officer to hear its discipline cases pursuant to 3 V.S.A. 129 (f) no motion followed.

10. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kara Shangraw
Licensing Board Specialist