

Office of Professional Regulation
BOARD OF PRIVATE INVESTIGATIVE & SECURITY SERVICES

**UNAPPROVED MINUTES
MEETING OF MAY 21, 2004**

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:12 a.m.

Members present: Daniel A. Coane, Chairperson, Robert E. Edwards, Secretary; and Emma J. Pudvah, Ad Hoc Member. Absent: Leo P. Blais, Vice-Chair.

OPR Staff present: Christopher D. Winters, Board Counsel; Carla Preston, Unit Administrator and Patty Skinner, Administrative Assistant.

Others present: Stephanie J. Hillman, Jeffrey Stewart, Richard Jewett, W.B. Butler, Kevin Cheney and Rennie L. Love.

2. The Chair called for approval of the Minutes of the April 16th meeting. Mr. Edwards made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pudvah, to approve the Minutes of April 16, 2004 meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

3. **Hearings/Stipulations**

- a. Jeffrey Stewart attended the meeting for a scheduled hearing based on the Board's preliminary decision to deny his application as an unarmed security guard. Mr. Stewart indicated that he was unable to obtain documents from his counselors but indicated that he would be able to do so by the next meeting. Mr. Edwards made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pudvah, to table the hearing to the June meeting. Motion passed unanimously.
- b. The hearing in the matter of Docket Numbers APP-PD08-1003 and APP-PD07-1003 (Green Mountain Concert Services and Kevin Cheney, Q.A.) was tabled until the June meeting.
- c. The hearing scheduled in the matter of Daniel O'Brien was cancelled pursuant to Mr. O'Brien's request. Mr. O'Brien will be notified that the Board's preliminary decision to deny his application for registration as a security guard is now Final. Mr. O'Brien will need to reapply should he be considered for employment at this or any other agency.

4. **Reports**

5. **Legislation/Rulemaking**

- a. The Board reviewed the latest version of its draft rules. A few minor changes were suggested. The Rulemaking cover pages will be sent to Chairman Coane for his signature once the changes have been made. Attorney Winters explained the steps in the rulemaking process noting that if all goes well, the earliest that the new rules would be in effect would be in October of this year.

6. Complaints – None to report.

7. Applications reviewed and discussed

Donna Lee Wolcott - The Board reviewed Ms. Wolcott's application as an Unarmed Security Guard with Securitas, Inc. Based on the information provided, Mr. Edwards made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pudvah, to request a personal appearance by Ms. Wolcott to discuss the 1975 charges. The Board acknowledged receipt of the affidavit and other information submitted as requested. Motion passed unanimously.

Clifton R. Nichols - The Board reviewed Mr. Nichols' application as an Unarmed Security Guard with Hunter North Associates. Based on the information provided, Mr. Edwards made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pudvah, to approve Mr. Nichols for registration. Motion passed unanimously.

Stephanie J. Hillman - The Board reviewed Ms. Hillman's application as an Unarmed Security Guard with Guardsmark, LLC. Ms. Hillman was present and requested that the Board go into executive session to discuss her application and prior offenses. Mr. Edwards made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pudvah, to go into executive session at 10:00 a.m. and out at 10:08 a.m. Mr. Edwards made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pudvah, to go into deliberative session at 10:08 and out at 10:10. Based on the information provided, Mr. Edwards made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pudvah, to approve Ms. Hillman for registration. Ms. Hillman was reminded that she must answer "yes" to question #1 on any future applications. Motions passed unanimously.

John S. Dunton - The Board reviewed Mr. Dunton's application as an Unarmed Security Guard with Securitas, Inc. Based on the information provided, Mr. Edwards made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pudvah, to preliminarily deny Mr. Dunton's application pursuant to Title 26, Chapter 59 §3181 (b)(15), and § 3181 (b)(18). Motion passed unanimously.

Mark A. Hession - The Board reviewed Mr. Hession's application as an Unarmed Security Guard with Hunter North Associates. Based on the information provided, Mr. Edwards made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pudvah, to request additional documentation and request that the applicant appear in person at the June 2004 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Philip J. Lombardi – The Board reviewed the agency license for Philip J. Lombardi, sole proprietor. Mr. Edwards made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pudvah, to approve the agency for licensure with Mr. Lombardi as Qualifying Agent. Motion passed unanimously.

Mike Garcia Merchant Security, Inc. – The Board reviewed the application for licensure as a security agency with Shawn Murphy as Qualifying Agent. Mr. Edwards made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pudvah, to deny Mr. Murphy as the Qualifying Agent, for failure to submit the documentation requested by the Board. Motion passed unanimously.

8. Update Re Old Business

- a. The Board reviewed and noted the May 12, 2004 letter from Triad Temporary Services, Inc. in response to its May 7th inquiry. Stanley Grandfield, President, stated that all positions for security services would be removed from their Web site postings.
- b. The Board reviewed the April 21, 2004 letter from ANASEC Consulting, LLC in response to its April 19th inquiry concerning their activities in Vermont. Terrence Corley, President, indicated that ANASEC does not work in Vermont, but if it did they would contract with a firm/individual that could provide them with the services needed.
- c. The Board reviewed the April 21, 2004 letter from J.L. Global Consultants in response to its April 14th inquiry concerning their activities in Vermont. Jeffrey Lusk, Owner, indicated that his company performs training in other countries for homeland security personnel. Based on Mr. Lusk's explanation, the Board concluded that their activities were not under the Board's purview.

9. Correspondence

- a. The Board noted the letter from Judy Greensmith requesting the Minutes of the March 19, 2004 meeting

10. Public Comments

- a. Richard Jewett from MVM Inc. of California attended the meeting to discuss whether or not the Federal Firearms Courses could take the place of Vermont's training courses.

The Board informed Mr. Jewett that §3175a states that the instructor has to be currently licensed under this section to provide training to others. Members suggested that MVM's in-house instructor(s) become licensed in Vermont, then he would be qualified to provide the firearms training to all of their employees.

11. The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.
12. The next meeting was scheduled for June 18th, then changed to June 11th and finally set for Friday, June 25, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Skinner
Administrative Assistant