

**Vermont Secretary of State  
Office of Professional Regulation  
BOARD OF PRIVATE INVESTIGATIVE & SECURITY SERVICES**

**Unapproved Minutes  
January 20, 2017**

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

Staff Present: Gabriel Gilman, Board Counsel; Carla Preston, Case Manager; Ashley Cota, Licensing Board Specialist, Rachel Allen, Prosecuting Attorney; Mike Ruse, Investigator; Jamie Palmisano, Chief Investigator; and Beth Jarvis, Chief Prosecutor.

Others Present: George Belcher, ALO Hearing Officer, George Mcgrath, and Denise VanGorden.

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:29 a.m. by the Board Chair, James Eckhardt.
2. The Board reviewed the Minutes of the November 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the minutes of the November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016 meeting as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

**3. Case Manager Report/Concluded Investigations -**

Ms. Preston gave her Case Managers Report, there are currently 19 pending cases.

**4. Hearings/Reports/Stipulations**

Docket No: 2017-2 James Eckhardt made a motion to deny the application for licensure for George Mcgrath second by Richard Murphy. Franklin Davis recused. Motion carried.

**5. Reports/Guests/Legislative Updates**

**6. Applications/Programs/Requests to review -**

The Board reviewed the Qualifying Agent application for John Jacon. Based on the information submitted. Mr. Davis made a motion, Seconded by Mr. Murphy, to approve Mr. Jacon's Qualifying Agent's license. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the Licensed Firearms Training Instructor application for John Jacon. Based on the information submitted, Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Murphy, to approve Mr. Jacon's Licensed Firearms Training Instructor application. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the Private Investigative Agency-Sole Proprietor application for J. White Investigative Services. Based on the information submitted, Mr. Wernecke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Davis, to approve J. White Investigative Services license. Motion passed unanimously.

**6. Applications/Programs/Requests to review Continued-**

The Board reviewed the Qualifying Agent application for Douglas Vigliotta and Agency Application for Elite Detective Services, Inc. Based on the information submitted, Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Murphy, to approve Mr. Vigliotta and Elite Detective Services, Inc. licenses. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the Qualifying Agent Application for Brandon Manzo and Private Investigative – Sole Proprietor Agency application for Manzo Digital Forensics & Investigations. Based on the information submitted, Mr. Wernecke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Murphy, to approve Mr. Manzo and Manzo Digital Forensics & Investigations licenses. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the Licensed Firearms Training Instructor application for Jason Micheals. Based on the information submitted, Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Murphy, to approve Mr. Micheal's license. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the request to have Dennis Johnson as the training instructor for Hunter North Associates. Based on the information submitted, Mr. Wernecke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Davis, to approve the request. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the Qualifying Agent Application for Raymond Gillis and the Agency Application for Delta Associated. Based on the information submitted, Mr. Davis made a motion, Second by Mr. Wernecke, to approve Mr. Gills and Delta Associated licenses. After further discussion Mr. Davis made a Motion to amend the previous motion, Seconded by Mr. Wernecke, to table the approval of Mr. Gillis and Delta Associated applications until a response to the inquiry of question 10 on the application. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the Updated 40 hour training course for U.S. Security Associated. Based on the information submitted, Mr. Murphy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wernecke, to approve the updated course. Motion passed unanimously.

**7. Follow Ups**

**8. Correspondence**

**9. Other Business**

- 10.** There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Cota,  
Licensing Board Specialist