

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION
JOHN O. PASTORE CENTER, BLDG. 68
1511 PONTIAC AVENUE
CRANSTON, RHODE ISLAND 02920**

IN THE MATTER OF:

RAYMOND G. SULLIVAN,

RESPONDENT.

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DBR No. 12dp062

ORDER OF SUSPENSION

Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 5-1-13, *et seq.*, and Rule 5.2.8 of the Rules and Regulations for the Board of Examination and Registration of Architects, the Director (“Director”) of the Rhode Island Department of Business Regulation (“Department”), upon recommendation made by the Board of Examination and Registration of Architects (“Board”) hereby issues this Order of Suspension (“Order”) against the above-named Respondent, Raymond G. Sullivan.

I. STATEMENT OF FACTS

1. Respondent was licensed by the Department to practice architecture under Registration No. 3735 which expires on December 31, 2013.
2. Respondent was randomly selected to participate in a random audit to insure compliance with its continuing education requirements for registration.
3. The Respondent indicated on his 2012 renewal application that he had not satisfied the continuing education requirement for the licensing period of 2010 and 2011, and he

attached a letter thereto that he intended to complete those requirements by attending future seminars.

4. On February 13, 2012 the Board voted to grant the biennial renewal of Respondent's license, and mailed a continuing education audit form to the Respondent on February 16, 2012 requesting that he submit evidence of his continuing education hours by March 31, 2012.

5. No response to the February 16 correspondence was received by the Board, and after unanimous vote by the Board, a second letter was sent to the Respondent on April 18, 2012, which granted an extension of time for the Respondent to submit the required information to the Board no later than May 11, 2012.

6. Respondent failed to respond to the Board's Notices regarding his compliance with the continuing education requirements necessary for renewal of his license.

7. On or about June 4, 2012, the Board sent a notice to the Respondent by certified and regular mail advising him that his failure to respond to their requests had resulted in the Board referring this matter to the Department for legal action.

8. On or about October 24, 2012, the Director issued to the Respondent a Notice of Hearing and Intent to Revoke Registration ("Notice") in accordance with the recommendations of the Board. The Notice ordered the Respondent to appear at a hearing before the Board and the Department on November 19, 2012.

9. The Notice was sent by first class mail, postage prepaid, and also by certified mail, return receipt requested, to Respondent's last known business address on record with the Department.

10. The Respondent failed to appear on November 19th, and has had no further contact with the Board.

11. On that date, the Board voted unanimously to suspend the Respondent's registration until such time as he provides evidence of his continuing education requirements, based on his failure to respond to the Board's requests, and failure to appear at the hearing scheduled on November 19, 2012.

II. STATEMENT OF AUTHORITY

Pursuant to Rule 5.8.5 of the *Rules and Regulations for the Board of Examination and Registration of Architects*, the Board may randomly audit licensees to insure compliance with its continuing education requirements.

In accordance with the provisions of R.I. Gen. Laws § 5-1-13.1(a), the board may initiate proceedings under that chapter against holders of a certificate of registration and/or a certificate of authorization (subsequently referred to as a licensee or licensees) on its own motion.

R.I. Gen. Laws § 5-1-13 *et seq.* provides that the Board of Registration of Architects ("Board"), after a due and proper hearing, may suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew any certificate of authorization for any of the causes set forth, including failure to furnish to the board, or any person acting on behalf of the board, within sixty (60) days of notification any information that may be legally requested by the board.

In accordance with the provisions of R.I. Gen Laws Chapter 5-1, the Board has the power to suspend, revoke or annul certificates of registration and certificates of authorization after a finding of probable cause that a Respondent has violated any provisions of that chapter or the Rules and Regulations which issue therefrom.

III. MOTION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on Respondent's violations as alleged, and the authority of the Board and the Department as set forth in Section II, the Board unanimously voted on November 19, 2012 to revoke the registration and certificate of authorization of the Respondent to practice architecture. Counsel for the Board therefore recommends that this action be taken.

Dated: 5 Dec. 2012



Ellen R. Balasco, Esq.

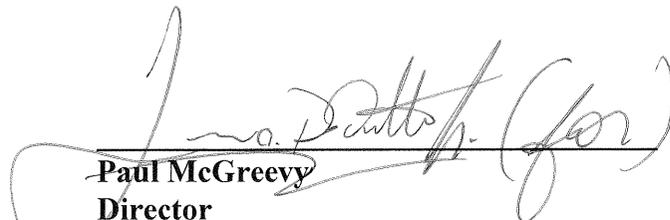
ORDER

I hereby take the following action with regard to the recommendations of the Board and its Counsel:

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It is ORDERED that Respondent's registration No. 3735 and his certificate of authorization to practice architecture in this State is hereby suspended pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 5-1-13.1.

Dated: 12-05-2012



Paul McGreevy
Director

ENTERED as Administrative Order 12-069, on the 5th day of December, 2012.

THIS ORDER OF REVOCATION CONSTITUTES A FINAL DECISION OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINATION AND REGISTRATION OF ARCHITECTS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION PURSUANT TO RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 42, CHAPTER 35. AS SUCH, THIS ORDER MAY BE APPEALED TO THE SUPERIOR COURT SITTING IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF PROVIDENCE WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS ORDER. SUCH APPEAL, IF TAKEN, MAY BE COMPLETED BY FILING A PETITION FOR REVIEW WITH THE COURT. RESPONDENT'S LICENSE SHALL BE REVOKED EFFECTIVE THE DATE OF THIS ORDER.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that on this 5th day of December, 2012, a copy of this Notice was sent by first class mail postage prepaid and by certified mail to:

Raymond G. Sullivan, 1226 Post Road, Fairfield, Connecticut 06824

and by electronic mail to the following parties at the Department of Business Regulation,
and the Board of Examination and Registration of Architects:

Dawne Broadfield, Board Executive
Ellen R. Balasco, Esq. Deputy Chief of Legal Services

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Charles Andrew Deane", written over a horizontal line.