

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION  
DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL LICENSING AND RACING AND ATHLETICS  
233 RICHMOND STREET, SUITE 230  
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02903-4230

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IN THE MATTER OF:

STEPHEN DOPART'S UPHOLSTERING

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CONSENT AGREEMENT

I.

The Commercial Licensing and Racing and Athletics Division ("Division") of the Rhode Island Department of Business Regulation ("Department") enters into this Consent Agreement ("Agreement") to resolve concerns that Rhode Island General Laws ("R.I.G.L.") §23-26-1 *et seq.*, entitled, Bedding and Upholstered Furniture, may have been violated by Stephen Dopart ("Dopart"), and Stephen Dopart's Upholstering ("Dopart's Upholstering"). The Division has determined to resolve this matter, after investigation but without instituting administrative proceedings, by entering into this Agreement.

II.

It is hereby agreed by and between the Division and Dopart that:

1. Dopart's Upholstering is not currently licensed by the Department as a Renovator/Repair of Bedding and/or Upholstered Furniture pursuant to R.I.G.L. §23-26-1 *et seq.*
2. Dopart is the owner/operator of Dopart's Upholstering, located at 279 Mill Lane, Portsmouth, Rhode Island, 02871.

3. The Department became aware of unlicensed activity due to an anonymous phone call received on January 29, 2009. Caller wanted to know if indeed a license was required and if Dopart had one.
4. At all times relevant to this Agreement, it has been unlawful for a Renovator/Repairer to operate in Rhode Island without first acquiring a license from the Division.
5. On January 29, 2009, the Division sent a letter to Dopart inquiring if he was operating and if so to cease such activity until proper license was attained. Dopart was informed to submit a completed application to the Division along with the required licensing fee.
6. On February 27, 2009, the Division received a completed application from Dopart along with a money order (#R102134318891, dated February 11, 2009, in the amount of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00)).
7. Dopart stated that his lack of licensure was unintentional, that he has been in operation for three years and only works part time on occasion.

### III.

Based on the foregoing, the Division finds that the following is in the public interest and consistent with the purposes intended by R.I.G.L. §23-26-1 *et seq.*

Accordingly, it is hereby further agreed that:

1. Dopart shall immediately become familiar with and undertake to comply fully with R.I.G.L §23-26-1 *et seq.*

2. Dopart shall pay to the Department, one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00), as an administrative assessment.
3. Dopart shall, upon signing this Agreement be granted a license to operate as a Renovator/Repairer.
4. Dopart agrees to renew his license for as long has he is operating as a Renovator/Repairer of Bedding and/or Upholstered furniture.
5. Additional violations of R.I.G.L. §23-26-1 *et. seq.*, may be grounds for significant and substantial penalties such as revocation or suspension of license, administrative penalties up to five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per violation, and the imposition of criminal sanctions per R.I.G.L. §23-26-27.

Dated as of the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2009.

Maria L. D'Alessandro  
 Maria L. D'Alessandro, Associate Director  
 of Commercial Licensing and Racing and Athletics

✓ Stephen R. Dopart  
 Stephen Dopart,  
 Owner/operator of Stephen Dopart's Upholstering

On this 4<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2008 appeared before me \_\_\_\_\_ who executed the foregoing Consent Agreement and who duly acknowledged to me that he was authorized to do so.

Lawrence A. Lemmey  
 NOTARY PUBLIC  
 My Commission Expires 2-23-2013

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