

Ohio Board of Examiners of Architects
Winter 2004 Enforcement Actions

The following files are the final results of investigative matters against architects or non-licensed persons through, where an official finding of wrong doing was determined, a settlement agreement was entered into or compliance was otherwise obtained. Only the names of those where an official finding was determined or those who entered into settlement agreements are published.

Please note that each file gives a brief description of the case and the code sections allegedly violated. If you would like more specific information regarding a case, please contact the Board's Investigator, Chad B. Holland at (614) 466-1476 or via e-mail at chad.holland@arla.state.oh.us.

File No. 01-11
William J. Mokris,
Cert. No. 7964
Gahanna, Ohio

After an administrative hearing, the Board *revoked* Mr. Mokris' certificate of qualification because he failed to successfully complete the terms of probation imposed upon him by the Board from a 2001 disciplinary action.

File No. 01-33
William E. Dirr,
Cert. No. 4585
Cincinnati, Ohio

Mr. Dirr allegedly sealed construction drawings of which he was not the author, and of which he was not in responsible charge of their preparation and which he did not have direct professional knowledge and direct supervisory control. Mr. Dirr also allegedly aided and abetted unlicensed persons in the practice of architecture.

He entered into a *settlement agreement* whereby he accepted a (12) *twelve-month period of probation* and was required to successfully pass the *NCARB Professional Monograph*. The project involved HVAC drawings for an office building in Springdale, Ohio.

File No. 02-06
Syed S. Abbas,
Cert. No. 10376
Architectural Vision Group, LTD
Cleveland, Ohio

Alleged to have not accurately represented to a prospective or existing client or employer his qualifications and the scope of his responsibility in connection with work for which he claimed credit via his promotional materials and career profile.

A settlement agreement was entered into whereby Mr. Abbas was issued a *Letter of Reprimand*, required to pass the *NCARB Professional Conduct Monograph* and *issue letters* to all existing or

prospective clients who received inaccurate promotional materials for the purpose of clarifying such information. Additionally, Mr. Abbas must issue a letter to the architect and firm who was damaged by his conduct specifically advising what action he will take to rectify this problem.

File No. 02-33

Richard J. Weber,
Cert. No. 4434

Concord Township, Ohio

Mr. Webers's Certificate of Qualification had been lapsed during the time period of January 1988 through 2003. During that period, it was discovered that Mr. Weber had engaged in the practice of architecture. After being made aware that his license had been lapsed, he applied for reinstatement of his license, which was denied by the Board.

Mr. Weber entered into a *settlement agreement* whereby his license will be reinstated only after he successfully passes (5) five *NCARB monographs*. Additionally, he was issued a *letter of reprimand* for his actions and was placed on a (4) *four-year period of probation*, whereby he is required to annually complete continuing education units.

File No. 03-20

Walter Addison
Dayton, Ohio

Alleged to have engaged in the unlicensed practice of architecture by offering to provide architectural design services involving a school in the Dayton, Ohio area. A *settlement agreement* was entered into whereby he will cease and desist from such practices.

File No. 03-21

Thomas R. Dunn,
Cert. No. 3616

Cincinnati, Ohio

Alleged to have continued to advertise his design-build firm under the heading of "Architects" in various telephone books, etc. at a time when such firm was not an architectural firm. A settlement agreement was entered into whereby he will cease and desist from such practices. Mr. Dunn also disconnected all phone numbers inappropriately listing his design-build firm as "Architects".