

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION
CONNECTICUT REAL ESTATE COMMISSION**

Minutes of Meeting

September 1, 2010

The Connecticut Real Estate Commission convened for a Meeting on Wednesday, September 1, 2010 at 9:15 a.m. in Room 126 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106.

Commissioners Present: Barbara Thompson, Chairperson (Salesperson – 3rd District)
 Joseph B. Castonguay, (Broker – 2nd District)
 Lana K. Ogrodnik (Broker – 5th District)
 Marilyn Keating, Vice-Chairperson (Salesperson – 4th District)
 Theodore F. Ells (Public Member- 3rd District)
 Morag L. Vance (Public Member – 4th District)
 James Hoffman (Salesperson – 4th District)

Commissioners Absent: Joseph H. Kronen (Public Member – 1st District)

Commission Vacancy: None

Attorney General's office: None

DCP Staff present: Sallie Pinkney, Board Administrator Occ/Pro Licensing Division
 Kelly Harvey, Real Estate Examiner Real Estate Unit
 Vicky Bullock, Attorney Legal Division
 Linda Kieft-Robitalle, Real Estate Examiner Real Estate Unit
 Michelle Erling, Real Estate Examiner Real Estate Unit

Public Present: Kristen Burr Kirtikumar Jain John Sable
 Larry Hannafin Steven Blaine John Morgan

The next Meeting of this Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, December 1, at 9:15 a.m. in Room 126

Note: The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division. For information contact Richard M. Hurlburt, Director at (860) 713-6135 or Fax: (860) 713-7230.

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1. MINUTES:

- a. The Minutes of the Meeting of July 7, 2010 were reviewed. **It was moved by Commissioner Keating, Commissioner Hoffman 2nd, and the vote carried to approve the Minutes as amended.**

2. GUARANTY FUND APPLICATIONS

- a. Peter Quercia vs. Stratills LLC and Gregory LaFlam – **It was moved by Commissioner Ogrodnik, Commissioner Castonguay 2nd, to bring the matter forward for purposes of discussion. After discussion, Chairman Thompson called for a motion to conditionally approve the application contingent to a determination that the transaction was fraudulent and to deny the application should it be determined that the transaction was not fraudulent. All Commissioners voted their opposition, and the motion failed unanimously. The application was tabled for possible future action pending more information being provided by the court.**

3. LEGAL – Vicky Bullock

- a. Docket No. 2009-564 - Kirtikumar Jain - Motion for reconsideration – **It was moved by Commissioner Ells, Commissioner Castonguay 2nd, to bring the motion to a vote. Commissioners Ells, Castonguay, Ogrodnik and Vance approved; Commissioners Hoffman and Keating opposed; Chairman Thompson recused, and the vote carried to reinstate the Salespersons’ license subject to a detailed work outline from the supervising Broker, and a letter from the licensee’s Probation Officer.**
- b. Presentation – 2010-73 - **It was moved by Commissioner Ells, Commissioner Castonguay 2nd, and the vote carried to hold a Formal Hearing on 9/22/2010 at 10:00 a.m.**
- c. Formal Hearing – Docket No. 2010-987 (10:00 a.m.) - **marked over to 9/22/2010.**

4. CONSENT AGREEMENTS – Kelly Harvey

- a. 2010-158 – **It was moved by Commissioner Vance, Commissioner Castonguay 2nd, and the vote carried to approve the consent agreement as submitted by DCP.**

5. CHRO APPLICANTS APPEARING

- a. 2010-132 – Kristen Burr - **It was moved by Commissioner Vance, Commissioner Ogrodnik 2nd, and the vote carried to Revoke the Broker license, and reinstate the Salespersons’ license, and allow her to reapply for the Brokers’ license after one year from today’s date.**

- b. 2010-141 - Steven A. Blaine – **It was moved by Commissioner Castonguay, Commissioner Ogrodnik 2nd, and the vote carried to table until a detail work outline is submitted by the supervising broker.**

6. REAL ESTATE APPLICATIONS/WAIVERS

- a. Celeste Caracausa – Requesting immediate reinstatement of expired license without education or testing. **It was moved by Commissioner Keating, Commissioner Vance 2nd, and the vote carried to waive the educational requirement, and allow her to retest.**
- b. Michael R. Powers - Application for CT Real Estate Broker. Attorney in New York. Real Estate Broker in New York. Does not appear to have been a real estate salesman before he became a broker. Wants to be able to test for broker without salesman’s license. **It was moved by Commissioner Keating, Commissioner Ells 2nd, and the vote carried to deny his request.**
- c. Aitor de Urquiza - Wants CREC consideration to be able to apply for a CT Real Estate Broker license based on his education from Sacred Heart University and his resume. **It was moved by Commissioner Keating, Commissioner Castonguay 2nd, and the vote carried to deny the request.**

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Real Estate Schools & Course Approvals – **Attorney Vicky Bullock will render a legal opinion at a later date.**
- b. Approval of Continuing Education course 2010-2012 presented by Commissioners Ogrodnik and Keating. **It was moved by Commissioner Keating, Commissioner Ells 2nd, and the vote carried to accept the 2010/2012 Continuing Education curriculum.**
- c. The Real Estate Commission will hold a Special Meeting on 9/22/2010.

8. COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

- a. John Morgan, member of the public introduced a manual to study for the continuing education test; he would like to have it listed on the PSI Candidate Bulletin.

9. ADJOURNMENT

- a. **It was moved by Commissioner Vance, Commissioner Ogrodnik 2nd, and the vote carried to adjourn the meeting at 11:45 a.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,
Salle Pinkney, Board Administrator
Occupational Professional Licensing Division