

MINUTES

**FLORIDA BARBERS' BOARD
HILTON HOTEL - 12 VIA DE LUNA
PENSACOLA BEACH, FLORIDA 32561**

Sunday, January 8, 2023

General Business Meeting

The Florida Barbers' Board meeting was called to order at approximately 9:00 a.m., by Mr. Eddie Stewart, Chair.

Board Members Present

Eddie Stewart – Chair
Veronica Wold – Vice Chair
John Henry
Jorge Rivera

Board Members Absent

Other Persons Present

Krista Woodard, Executive Director, Department of Business and Professional Regulation (DBPR)
Julie Rowland, Government Analyst, DBPR
Andrea Osorio, Assistant General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, DBPR
Tom Jones, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General
Melissa Odom, Court Reporter
Andrew Raines

The meeting was opened with a roll call and a quorum was established.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board approved the minutes of the October 30, 2022, Board meeting.

DISCIPLINARY MATTERS

Ms. Andria Osorio, Assistant General Counsel, requested that the board admit into evidence the investigative file and supporting documentation for the cases below.

Motion for Waiver of Rights and Final Order

Ms. Osorio presented the following cases for consideration by the Board. The Board found that the Respondents were properly served with the Administrative Complaint, the Respondents failed to respond within 21 days thereby waiving their right to elect a hearing in this matter, that the Board accept the allegations as stated in the Administrative Complaint and adopt them as the findings of fact and conclusions of law of the Board and imposed the penalties shown below:

- Jeffrey Escarria; Boca Raton; Case No. 2021039110
\$250 fine and \$54.20 costs to be paid within six months
- Reel Clips; West Palm Beach; Case No. 2021045758
\$100 fine and \$105.84 costs to be paid within six months
- Krazy Kuts; Miramar; Case No. 2021057866
This case was pulled from the agenda
- Just Blaze Barbershop; Apopka; Case No. 2021054438

\$550 fine and \$410.47 costs to be paid within six months
Re-inspection of license BS1085821

- Josue Gonzalez; Kissimmee; Case No. 2021007895
This case was pulled from the agenda
- Barbers of Bay Shore; Ft. Pierce; Case No. 2021027767
This case was pulled from the agenda
- Hipolito Cruz; Casselberry; Case No. 2021043991
\$250 fine and \$139.05 costs to be paid within six months
- Rudy Nicholas David; Winter Park; Case No. 2021042436
\$500 fine and \$291.43 costs to be paid within six months
- Luis Morales; Titusville; Case No. 2021020732
\$500 fine and \$648.09 costs to be paid within six months
- Blurryfades; Lake Worth; Case No. 2021057322
\$500 fine and \$75.58 costs to be paid within six months
Revocation of license BS1083975
- Khalil Abdiel Mora Alvarez; Palm Springs; Case No. 2022004513
This case was pulled from the agenda
- Jesse Barral; Casselberry; Case No. 2022005428
\$500 fine and \$176.92 costs to be paid within six months
- Omar Samli; Lake Worth; Case No. 2022014452
This case was pulled from the agenda
- Blades NYC Barbershop II; Lantana; Case No. 2022005561
\$500 fine and \$121.95 costs to be paid within six months
Revocation of license BS1081162
- The Spot Barbershop Pembroke Gardens; Pembroke Pines; Case No. 2022002081
\$550 fine and \$78.53 costs to be paid within six months
- Elite Barbers III; Orlando; Case No. 2021057711
\$450 fine and \$429.53 costs to be paid within six months
- Aric Kirkland Jr.; Green Cove Springs; Case No. 2022022275
\$500 fine and \$134.10 costs to be paid within six months
- Arthur Pique; Homestead; Case No. 2022023582
\$250 fine and \$84.40 costs to be paid within six months
- Blurry Fades Barbershop WPB; West Palm Beach; Case No. 2022007343
\$1,350 fine and \$138.51 costs to be paid within six months
Revocation of license BS1086388
- Joel Flores; Orlando; Case No. 2022019230
\$250 fine and \$151.99 costs to be paid within six months

Department Attorney Report

Ms. Osorio informed the Board that as of December 2, 2022, there were 73 open barber cases in the legal section.

APPLICATIONS

Licensure Applications

Initial Review

Amaury Rodriguez Mesa

Mr. Mesa was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to deny the application due to the applicant attempting to obtain a license to practice a profession through fraudulent misrepresentation.

David Diaz Caraballo

Mr. Caraballo was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to deny the application due to the applicant attempting to obtain a license to practice a profession through fraudulent misrepresentation.

Gustavo Morales Martinez

Mr. Martinez was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to deny the application due to the applicant attempting to obtain a license to practice a profession through fraudulent misrepresentation.

Manuel Becerra Rodriguez

Mr. Rodriguez was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to deny the application due to the applicant attempting to obtain a license to practice a profession through fraudulent misrepresentation.

Landy Martinez Rojas

Mr. Rojas was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to deny the application due to the applicant attempting to obtain a license to practice a profession through fraudulent misrepresentation.

Yasiel Gorgoy Betancourt

Mr. Betancourt was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to deny the application due to the applicant attempting to obtain a license to practice a profession through fraudulent misrepresentation.

Livan Sosa Fernandez

Ms. Fernandez was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to deny the application due to the applicant attempting to obtain a license to practice a profession through fraudulent misrepresentation.

Ruben Larvelo

Mr. Larvelo was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to deny the application due to the applicant attempting to obtain a license to practice a profession through fraudulent misrepresentation.

Barbaro Almenares Magana

Mr. Magana was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to approve the application.

Keith Wooten

Mr. Wooten was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to approve the application. The Board also imposed probation on the license to run concurrent with his criminal probation.

Nathaniel Miguel Feliciano

Mr. Feliciano was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to approve the application with the following contingency: provide disposition of all criminal convictions to the Department within 30 days or the application is denied. The Board also imposed probation on the license to run concurrent with his criminal probation.

Yoan Vega Abad

Mr. Abad was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to deny the application due to the applicant attempting to obtain a license to practice a profession through fraudulent misrepresentation.

Yaser Torriente Pompa

Mr. Pompa was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to deny the application due to the applicant attempting to obtain a license to practice a profession through fraudulent misrepresentation.

Dairon Hernandez Ramirez

Mr. Ramirez was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to deny the application due to the applicant attempting to obtain a license to practice a profession through fraudulent misrepresentation.

Ernesto Miranda Nunez

Mr. Nunez was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to deny the application due to the applicant attempting to obtain a license to practice a profession through fraudulent misrepresentation.

Lester Reyes Trujillo

Mr. Trujillo was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to deny the application due to the applicant attempting to obtain a license to practice a profession through fraudulent misrepresentation.

Saudel Garrido Perez

Mr. Perez was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to deny the application due to the applicant attempting to obtain a license to practice a profession through fraudulent misrepresentation.

Hamzeh Quttaineh / Minnesota

Mr. Quttaineh was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to approve the application.

Bryam Reyes Restrepo

Mr. Restrepo was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to deny the application due to the applicant attempting to obtain a license to practice a profession through fraudulent misrepresentation.

Kendal Jadan Colon

Ms. Colon was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to approve the application. The Board also imposed probation on the license to run concurrent with his criminal probation.

Stanley Rogers

Mr. Rogers was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to approve the application.

Ariam Lopez Prieto

Mr. Prieto was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to deny the application due to the applicant attempting to obtain a license to practice a profession through fraudulent misrepresentation.

Luis Moreno Alba

Mr. Alba was not present for the meeting. After review, the Board moved to deny the application due to the applicant attempting to obtain a license to practice a profession through fraudulent misrepresentation.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Jorge Rivera, Board Member, addressed the Board regarding the lack of proper education in Florida barbering schools. Mr. Rivera suggested a possible hybrid educational system between schools and barbershops, where students can complete academic coursework in the classroom and receive practical training at a qualified barbershop. Mr. Rivera will provide a copy of his drafted letter addressing this matter.

Criminal History Guidelines

After discussion, the criminal history guidelines were approved with changes.

Executive Director Report

Financial Report for Period Ending September 2022

Ms. Woodard reported that the balance in the Board's operating account as of September 30, 2022, was over \$2.9 million, and the balance in the unlicensed activity account was over \$224,000 for the same period.

Correspondence

Complaints and Investigative Statistics – July 2022 – November 2022

Ms. Woodard informed the Board that the Complaints and Investigative Statistics Report was included in the agenda for informational purposes.

Barber Examination Summary – January 2022 – November 2022

Ms. Woodard informed the Board that the Barber Examination Summary was included in the agenda for informational purposes.

Dates and Locations of Future Meetings Subject to Change

March 5, 2023 – Telephone Conference Call

April 16, 2023 – Fernandina Beach

July 16, 2023 – Daytona Beach

October 15, 2023 – Orlando

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:15 p.m.