



**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
Board of Accountancy**



**Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, May 29, 2014**

The District of Columbia Board of Accountancy held its rescheduled monthly meeting on Thursday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 1100 4<sup>th</sup> Street, SW 3rd Floor, Conference Room 390, Washington, DC. The meeting was rescheduled from May 6<sup>th</sup> due to scheduling conflicts.

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The meeting was called to order by Board Chair, Robert Todero at **2:15 PM**.

**Board Members Present:** Abdool Akhran, Joseph Drew, Robert Todero, Mohamad Yusuff

**Board Members Absent:** None

**Legal Advisor to the Board:** Kia Winston

**Staff Present:** Daniel Burton, Clifford Cooks

**Members of the Public:** None

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**Agenda Items: Comments from Public**

- There were no comments from the public during this meeting.

**Agenda Items: Minutes**

- A draft of the minutes of the meeting held on March 10, 2014 was reviewed. Upon motion made by Board member Mr. Akhran, and seconded by Board member Mr. Drew; the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the meeting as written.

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**Agenda Items: Old Business**

- Board chair Robert Todero detailed old business items for the newly appointed Board members.
  - Mr. Todero spoke about the Board's previous work towards making the District of Columbia an attractive jurisdiction for foreign nationals to seek U.S. CPA licensure.
  - Mr. Todero spoke about the Board's consideration of its statutes and regulations regarding individual and firm mobility.

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**Agenda Items: New Business**

- Three new board members were appointed to the Board of Accountancy: Abdool Akhran, Joseph Drew and Mohamad Yusuff. The board and its staff each introduced themselves and provided a brief background.
- The change in Board members necessitated the modification of the Board's 2014 schedule of meetings. Due to the proximity of this meeting to the next meeting date, the meeting scheduled for 3 June is canceled. The Board's next meeting will be on Friday, 27 June at 9:00 AM. Following this meeting, the new 2014 standing schedule for the Board of Accountancy will be the first Friday of each month at 9:00 AM. The Board will not meet in the month of July. The following are the scheduled meeting dates for the remainder of 2014:

1 August  
5 September  
3 October

7 November  
5 December

- The Board was reminded of important upcoming events:
  - The CLEAR conference, a training event primarily designed to educate board members about their roles and responsibilities on Monday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>.
  - The NASBA eastern regional meeting on June 4-6 in Louisville, KY.

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**Agenda Item: Correspondence**

- No correspondence questions were reviewed during this meeting.

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**Agenda Item: Executive Session**

- Pursuant to § 2-575(13) and § 2-575(9) the Board unanimously voted to enter executive session at 3:10 PM to deliberate over the disposition of applications for licensure. The Board returned to open session at 3:57 PM.

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**Agenda Items: Applications**

- Following the deliberations in executive session. Board member Mr. Drew made a motion to approve the below applications for licensure. The motion was seconded by Board member Mr. Yusuff, and passed by a unanimous vote of the Board.

Bou Hamdan, Ramzi  
Ejigu, Tiruneh  
Hales, Adam

Helwing, Daniel  
Jones, Stephanie

- Following discussion in executive session, Board Chair Robert Todero stated on the record that the "Tax Research and Jurisprudence" course reviewed by the Board members did not meet the Board's requirement for a course in U.S. Federal Income Taxation.
- Additionally, the Board addressed the question of whether Loretta Braxton Walker's application was complete without having a Certificate of Experience form. Board Chair Robert Todero stated for the record that the Board does not feel that the application is complete without the form.

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**Agenda Item: Next Meeting:**

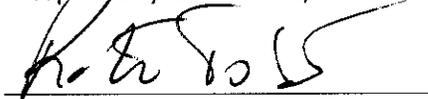
- The Board of Accountancy's next meeting is scheduled for Friday, 27 June 2014 beginning at 9:00 AM.

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**Adjournment:**

Upon motion duly made by Board member Mr. Yusuff and seconded by Board member Mr. Drew the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 4:03 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Robert Todero, Chair

6-27-2014

Date