



**Occupational and Professional Licensing Administration**  
GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs Board of Industrial Trades  
Meeting Minutes

The District of Columbia Board of Industrial Trades held its monthly meeting on December 17, 2019.

Chair, Brian Cooper, called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m. EST.

**Attendance:**

Board Members Present: Brian Cooper (Elevator Contractor), Shawn Ellis (Class 1, Steam Engineer), Alvin Venson (Master Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Mechanic), Petrick Washington (Elevator Mechanic)

Board Members Present by phone: Michael Johnson (Master Plumber/Gasfitter), Alex Lemu (Class 1, Steam Engineer), Richard Jackson (Master Plumber/Gasfitter), Garth Grannum (Master Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Mechanic),

Staff Members: Nicole McClendon (Program Coordinator, OPLA), Jennifer Champagne (Board Administrator), Chanda Kearney (Program Support Specialist), Asia Dumas (Investigator), George Batista (Investigator)

Legal Counsel: Kia Winston, Esq. (Legal Counsel)

Members of the Public: Solomon Alemu

**Agenda Item: Acceptance of Minutes:**

- Upon a motion duly made by Board member Alvin Venson and properly seconded by Board member Petrick Washington, the Board unanimously voted to approve the November 19, 2019 minutes as corrected.

**Agenda Item: Comments from the Public:**

- None

**Agenda Item: Final Recommendations:**

- Upon a motion duly made by Board member, Michael Johnson, and properly seconded by, Alvin Venson the board unanimously voted to extend a consent order with a new offer of settlement of \$813 to be paid within 6 months to the electrical journeyman Solomon Alemu (EJ903227).
- Upon a motion duly made by Board member, Shawn Ellis, and properly seconded by Board member, Petrick Washington, the Board unanimously voted to issue an Informal Admonition or warning to Derek Dick (EA904160) for working in the District of Columbia under an expired license.
- Upon a motion duly made by Board member, Alvin Venson, and properly seconded by Board member, Shawn Ellis, the Board voted to issue Jose Sanchez Mercado (CSB921330) a consent order barring him from examination for a period of one year.



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**Agenda Item: Old Business:**

- None

**Agenda Item: New Business:**

- The Board unanimously voted to adopt the proposed meeting dates for 2020.

**Agenda Item: Adjournment:**

- Upon a motion duly made by Board member Alvin Venson and seconded by Petrick Washington, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn at 2:42 p.m.

The next monthly Board meeting is scheduled for January 21, 2020 at 1 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Cooper, Chair

Date:

Recorder: Jennifer C. Champagne, Board Administrator