



# Occupational and Professional Licensing

## District of Columbia Real Estate Commission

January 10, 2023

### Meeting Minutes

The District of Columbia Real Estate Commission held its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, January 10, 2023, at 10:00 am via virtual.

The meeting was called to order by Frank Pietranton, Chair, at 10:05 am, and attendance was taken.

#### Attendance

Board Members Present: Frank Pietranton, Monique Owens, Elizabeth Blakeslee, Ericka Black, Edward Downs; Patrice Richardson, Ulani Gulstone, Ramona Barber

Board Members Absent: Joseph Borger

Staff: Stacey Price, Board Administrator; Leon Lewis, Program Coordinator/Executive; Kevin Cyrus, Education Coordinator; Brittney Cheshier, Program Support Specialist; Kendra Covington, Program Support Specialist; Kathy Thomas, Education Coordinator; Cynthia Briggs, Program Manager; Jahmai Jefferson, Program Support Specialist

Legal Counsel: James Patrick White, Attorney, Office of the General Counsel

Public Members: Deborah Steiner, Delores Johnson, JC Hooker, Karla Rhodes, Vernada Williams, Helen Ahrendt, Katherine Woods, Keisha Jones, Malik Tuma, Rumen Buzatov, Ryan Paulus, Sheila Doucet, and other public consumers that cannot be identified through WebEx.

#### Agenda Item: Comments from the Public

Public member Rumen Buzatov inquired about where and how to upload the continuing education certificates in the renewal application. Since the commission voted to add the attestation statement to the renewal application, it is not required to upload the CE certificates but encouraged to keep in a file if in the event an audit is conducted.

Public consumer JC Hooker asked the commission if the meeting recordings could be released to the public? He was informed that meeting recordings can be requested by submitting a form to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) office.

#### Agenda Item: Executive Session

At approximately 10:40 am, the following motion was made:

Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Blakeslee and properly seconded by Ms. Richardson, the Commission unanimously voted to enter into closed session pursuant to the authority of D.C. Official Code Section 2-575(b)(4)(A) to seek the advice of counsel, D.C. Official Code Section 2-575(b)(9) to discuss disciplinary matters, and D.C. Official Code Section 2-775(b)(13) to deliberate upon a decision in an adjudication action or proceeding and to discuss:

Complaints and technical applications.

The public session of the meeting was resumed at 12:05 pm.

**Agenda Item: Draft Minutes, December 13, 2022**

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Richardson and properly seconded by Ms. Gulstone, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the draft minutes with an amendment that the meeting minutes dated December 13, 2022, include the required disciplinary course for Maria Reddick.

**Agenda Item: Application for Licensure Recommendations**

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Gulstone and properly seconded by Ms. Black, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the January 10, 2023, Application List administratively approved by OPLA staff, attached hereto and made a part of the January 10, 2023, minutes.

**Agenda Item: Complaints and Legal Matters**

Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Richardson and properly seconded by Ms. Blakeslee, the Commission unanimously voted to accept the following legal recommendations:

1. In the matter of Danielle Williams vs Joseph Rieling and Benjamin Rieling – issue a fine to Benjamin Rieling, Joseph Rieling and Nomadic Real Estate Broker Services, LLC for \$1,500 each and forward Nomadic Real Estate, LLC to Consumer Protection Unit.
2. In the matter of Cindy Kang vs Priscilla Thomas-Jews – close, no action

**Agenda Item: Education Committee Report**

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Owens and properly seconded by Ms. Black, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the Education Committee Report, attached hereto and made a part of January 10, 2023, minutes.

**Agenda Item: Budget Update**

None.

**Agenda Item: Correspondence**

None.

**Agenda Item: Old Business**



Ms. Kathy Thomas updated the commission members on the outreach/education session with the District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS). The DCPS is in the process of selecting a date to conduct the outreach activity. Once selected, Kathy Thomas and Iris Wilson will reach out to commission members on who would be able to participate.

**Agenda Item: New Business**

The DLCP staff members have started the travel request process for the ARELLO 2023 Mid-Year Meeting. Commissioners will be notified when they can make their hotel reservation.

**Agenda Item: Next Meeting**

The next scheduled regular meeting is February 14, 2023, via WebEx.

**Agenda Item: Adjournment**

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Richardson and properly seconded by Ms. Black, the Commission unanimously voted to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 12:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Frank Pietranton", is written over a horizontal line.

Frank Pietranton, Chair  
Date: February 14, 2023

Recorder/transcriber: Stacey Price