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# STATE OF FLORIDA **BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY**

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION.

Petitioner,

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DBPR CASE NO.: 2014-052684 DOAH CASE NO.: 15-6271PL **LICENSE NO.: AC 0030675** 

RONALD M. SHULTZ,

Respondent.

## **FINAL ORDER**

THIS CAUSE came before the Board of Accountancy (the Board) pursuant to Sections 120.569 and 120.57(1), Florida Statutes, at a duly noticed public meeting on June 10, 2016, in Kissimmee, Florida, for the purpose of considering the Administrative Law Judge's Recommended Order. Petitioner was represented by C. Erica White, Chief Attorney; Respondent was neither present nor represented by counsel and the Board was represented by Mary Ellen Clark, Senior Assistant Attorney General.

Upon review of the Recommended Order, the argument of the parties, and after a review of the complete record in this case, the Board makes the following findings and conclusions.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The findings of fact set forth in the Recommended Order are approved and adopted and incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. There is competent, substantial evidence to support the findings of fact adopted by the Board.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 3. The Board has jurisdiction of this matter pursuant to Section 120.57(1), Florida Statutes, and Chapter 473, Florida Statutes.
- 4. The conclusions of law set forth in the Recommended Order, are approved and adopted and incorporated herein by reference.
- 5. There is competent, substantial evidence to support the conclusions of law adopted by the Board.

#### <u>VIOLATIONS</u>

6. Respondent is found to have VIOLATED Section 473.323(1)(g) and (h) Florida Statutes and Rule 61H1-23.002(1)(a) and (b), Florida Administrative Code.

#### PENALTY

7. The Administrative Law Judge's Recommendation is approved and adopted by the Board in its entirety.

WHEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED and ADJUDGED that:

- 8. Respondent's license, AC 0030675, is hereby REPRIMANDED.
- 9. Respondent's license, AC 0030675, shall be placed on a period of **PROBATION** for a period of one (1) year, the terms of which are that, prior to the lifting of his probationary status, Respondent shall personally appear before the Board to testify about the steps he has taken to ensure there will be no further violations of Chapter 473, Florida Statutes.
- 10. Respondent shall pay an administrative **FINE** in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) and administrative **COSTS** in the amount of Two Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars and Ninety-Nine Cents (\$259.99) by money order, cashier's or certified check payable to the Board of Accountancy, 240 Northwest 76<sup>th</sup> Drive, Suite A, Gainesville, FL 32607 within thirty (30) days of the entry of this Final Order.

This Final Order shall take effect upon being filed with the Clerk of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation.

DONE AND ORDERED this day of July , 2016.

Veloria A. Kelly, Division Director -

## NOTICE OF RIGHT TO JUDICIAL REVIEW

A party who is adversely affected by this Final Oder is entitled to judicial review pursuant to Section 120.68, Florida Statutes. Review Proceedings are governed by Rules 9.110 and 9.190, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. Such proceedings are commenced by filing one copy of a Notice of Appeal with the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Attn: Ronda L. Bryan, Agency Clerk, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399 and a second copy, accompanied by filing fees prescribed by law, with the District Court of Appeal, First District, or with the District Court of Appeal in the Florida Appellate District where Respondent resides. The Notice of Appeal must be filed within thirty (30) days of the filing of the Order to be reviewed.

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

U.S. Mail to: Ronald M. Shultz, 1031 NW 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite F-2, Gainesville, FL 32601; James Cerveny, Esquire, 1031 NW 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite F-3, Gainesville, FL 32601; and to Lisa Shearer Nelson, Administrative Law Judge, Division of Administrative Hearings, The DeSoto Building, 1230 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, FL 32399-3060; and by interoffice mail to C. Erica White, Esquire, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Suite 318, and to Mary Ellen Clark, Senior Assistant Attorney General, PL-01, The Capitol, Tallahassee, Florida 32399; this day of day of