

**MINUTES**

**STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF SHORTHAND REPORTERS**

**MAY 26, 2004**

The State Board of Examiners of Shorthand Reporters convened May 26, 2004 at 8:30 a.m. in Room 117 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106.

Board Members Present: Susan K. Whitt, Chairperson, Shorthand Reporter  
Donald E. Hubbard, Shorthand Reporter  
John C. Brandon, Shorthand Reporter  
William Mangini, Public Member

Board Members Present: Joseph N. DeFilippo, Attorney

Board Counsel Present: Jose Rene Martinez, AAG

Board Vacancies: One Public Member

DCP Staff Present: Nelson Leon, Board Secretary

Public Present: None

**Note:** The administrative functions of this Board are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division.  
For information call Richard M. Hurlburt, Director, at (860) 713-6135.

### **SWEARING-IN OF NEW BOARD MEMBER APPOINTMENT**

**Joseph N. DeFilippo, Esquire** – Appointed by the Honorable Governor John G. Rowland to the State Board of Examiners of Shorthand Reporters, as an attorney, to serve a term ending January 29, 2006, or until a successor is appointed and has qualified, whichever is longer, in succession to Elizabeth Garrett, who resigned.

Attorney DeFilippo was not present at today's meeting.

### **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

The Board reviewed, amended, and unanimously approved minutes of the March 24, 2004 Shorthand Reporters meeting.

### **COMPLAINT**

The Board requested a status of the complaint investigation regarding David S. Williams, Esq., of Brown Jacobson, and Cunningham Group, relating to a complaint about page format and COD to in-state counsel.

There was no action taken to date by DCP on this issue. Mr. Hubbard expressed displeasure at the time lapse since the last meeting of 3/24/04, with nothing having been done on this issue. Mr. Brandon and Ms. Whitt concurred.

Ms. Whitt asked if the Board can institute changes to the CT Practice Book regarding attorney using a licensed court reporter. Attorney Martinez suggested the Board call Stephen Ment at the Judicial Branch (860) 757-2270 and ask him about the process on doing so. Mr. Brandon said he would make the call.

Mr. Brandon asked Mr. Leon if the law requires the use of a licensed electrician, as an analogy to the Board's proposed amendment to the Practice Book. Mr. Leon said that CT law does mandate the use of a licensed electrician, unless the homeowner wires their own house which they must also occupy, and in all cases the work must be inspected.

Discussion ensued regarding amending Examiners of Shorthand Reporters law to require freelance agencies to be licensed. Mr. Leon said DCP may be able to facilitate in drafting the language.

Mr. Leon will e-mail Attorney Bullock today to follow-up on the Davis complaint issue.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:40 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan K. Whitt  
Chairperson

**The next meeting of this Board is scheduled for Wednesday, July 28, 2004 at 8:15 a.m.**