

**RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & TRAINING
DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
BOARD OF EXAMINATION & LICENSING
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM CONTRACTORS,
TECHNICIANS AND INSTALLERS**

**1511 Pontiac Avenue, Bldg 70, 2nd Floor Conference Room
Cranston, RI 02920**

Tuesday, December 4, 2012

9:00 A.M.

In attendance: Jay Bombardier, Sr.

G. Thomas Chabot

Paul Feeney

Laurence E. Ryan, Jr.

Robert Zuba

William McGowan, Chair, and Steven J. Mollo were not in attendance.

Also in attendance: Benjamin Copple, Legal Counsel; Joseph Degnan, Assistant Director; and Robert Gaj, Chief Licensing Examiner

1. - Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 9:06 am by Paul Feeney. A roll call was taken and the following members were present: Jay Bombardier, G. Thomas Chabot, Paul Feeney, Laurence

Ryan and Robert Zuba. William McGowan and Steve Mollo were not in attendance. There is a quorum.

2. - Minutes:

Laurence E. Ryan, Jr. made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting on October 2, 2012 as written; seconded by Robert Zuba and passed unanimously by the Board.

3. - Conflict of Interest: Benjamin Copple, Legal Counsel, addressed the Board reminding the Board they are subject to the RI Ethics Commission's rules of ethics and to recuse themselves if the law requires it. Legal counsel is available for discussion if necessary.

4. - Violation Appeal Hearings:

Chubb c/o George Betts (Violation # 4352): George W. Betts, respondent; and Robert Gaj, of the Department of Labor, are sworn in for testimony. Robert Gaj read the violation.

Violation # 4352, Chubb c/o George Betts 119 Brentwood Circle, Plymouth, MA 02360

Location of Violation: Navigant, 1042 Putnam Pike, Glocester, RI

Investigator: Robert Gaj

Violation Date: 7/24/12

Violation: Chubb/George Betts contracted for and engaged in the servicing / installation of video equipment requiring possession of a valid Rhode Island Telecommunication Systems Contractor license.

Chubb/George Betts is not in possession of a valid Rhode Island Telecommunication Systems Contractor license as required in RIGL 5-70 to contract for or engage in telecommunications work.

This is two violations of Rhode Island General Law-Title 5, Chapter 70.

Chubb/George Betts utilized an unlicensed technician to perform this telecommunications work.

This is a violation of Rhode Island General Law-Title 5, Chapter 70.

Chubb/George Betts employee: Todd Rose

A penalty in the amount of \$1,500.00 was issued according to RIGL 5-70-6(b).

Testimony is given by both George Betts, respondent; and Robert Gaj, Investigator. The Board questions both parties.

Benjamin Copple, Legal Counsel, enters a packet of seven (7) documents into evidence as Exhibit A: 3 photographs; a copy of Todd Rose's Massachusetts Electrician's license; Investigator, Bob Gaj's notes; and a copy of George Betts' business card.

Robert Zuba made a motion that violation 4352 be upheld, based on

testimony received at the hearing; seconded by Laurence Ryan and passed unanimously by the Board.

Laurence Ryan made a motion to reduce the penalty to \$1,000.00. The motion is seconded by C. Thomas Chabot. Assistant Director, Joseph Degnan asks that board members give their reasoning when making the motion on the penalty so the information is on the record. Laurence Ryan states that he does not think Mr. Betts did this intentionally and Mr. Betts has been cooperative. The motion passed unanimously by the Board.

The recommendation will be forwarded to the Director.

End of hearings.

***** Paul Feeney advised that the list of meeting dates for the upcoming year were distributed. There will be no meeting in January 2013. The next meeting is scheduled for February 5, 2013.**

5. - Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Robert Zuba; seconded by Laurence Ryan and passed unanimously by the board. The meeting adjourned at 9:36am. The next meeting is scheduled for February 5,

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