# CALIFORNIA BOARD OF BARBERING AND COSMETOLOGY



**APRIL 22, 2024** 

#### LICENSING AND EXAMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Department of Consumer Affairs HQ1 Hearing Room 102 1625 North Market Boulevard Sacramento, CA 95834

and

**Public Teleconference** 



## CALIFORNIA BOARD OF BARBERING AND COSMETOLOGY



MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE Steve Weeks, Chair Tonya Fairley Yolanda Jimenez Colette Kavanaugh Tamika Miller Jacob Rostovsky

## COMMITTEE MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

April 22, 2024
Department of Consumer Affairs
HQ1 Hearing Room #102
1625 North Market Boulevard
Sacramento, CA 95834

Action may be taken on any item listed on the agenda.

## 9:00 a.m. – Until Completion of Business

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#### **AGENDA**

- Call to Order/ Roll Call/ Establishment of Quorum.
- 2. Election of Committee Chair
- 3. Discussion and Possible Approval of the January 22, 2024, Committee Meeting Minutes
- Discussion and Possible Recommendation Regarding Operating as a Corporation or Limited Liability Company Member if a Personal License was Previously Disciplined
- 5. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda
  Note: The Committee may not discuss or take any action on any item
  raised during this public comment section, except to decide whether to
  place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting (Government Code
  Sections 11125, 11125.7(a))
- Suggestions for Future Agenda Items
- 7. Adjournment

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# Agenda Items No. 1-2 No Attachments

#### CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF BARBERING AND COSMETOLOGY

#### LICENSING AND EXAMINATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

#### **MINUTES OF JANUARY 22, 2024**

#### COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Steve Weeks, Chair Tonya Fairley Yolanda Jimenez Colette Kavanaugh Jacob Rostovsky

#### STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Kristy Underwood, Executive Officer Carrie Harris, Deputy Executive Officer Sabina Knight, Board Legal Representative Natalie Mitchell, Board Analyst

#### AGENDA ITEM #1: CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Steve Weeks, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at approximately 9:00 a.m. and confirmed the presence of a quorum.

#### 2. AGENDA ITEM #2: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 11, 2023, COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**Motion**: Tonya Fairley moved to approve the September 11, 2023, Committee Meeting Minutes. Yolanda Jimenez seconded the motion.

**Public Comment**: There were no public comments received.

Motion to approve the September 11, 2023 Committee Meeting Minutes carried: 5 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstain, per the following roll call vote:

Committee Members voted "Yes": Steve Weeks, Tonya Fairley, Yolanda Jimenez, Colette Kavanaugh, and Jacob Rostovsky

#### 3. AGENDA ITEM #3: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE RECOMMENDATION OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OWNERSHIP TYPES

Steve Weeks initiated the discussion on the need to update regulations to distinguish between corporations and Limited Liability Companies (LLCs), noting that they are legally recognized as separate entities. Kristy Underwood proposed a legislative change to explicitly add LLCs to the Business and Professions Code Section 7347, noting that this adjustment would simply formalize the current practice of issuing establishment licenses to LLCs. If the committee approves this recommendation, it will be presented to the board in February, with the goal of incorporating this change into a bill to amend the statute. Jacob Rostovsky inquired about the prevalence of LLCs, to which Ms. Underwood responded with data from a specific county showing a low percentage, around 5%, but highlighted that this might not represent the broader trend. The discussion revealed that while the majority of establishments might be sole proprietorships, there is an observed shift towards LLCs.

**Motion:** Jacob Rostovsky made a motion to recommend to the full board the provided language for the amendment of Section 7347 as a legislative proposal. Tonya Fairley seconded the motion.

Public Comment: No public comments were received.

Motion to recommend to the full board the above language for the amendment of Section 7347 as a legislative proposal carried: 5 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstain, per the following roll call vote: Committee Members voted "Yes": Steve Weeks, Tonya Fairley, Yolanda Jimenez, Colette Kavanaugh, and Jacob Rostovsky

## 4. AGENDA ITEM #4: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE RECOMMENDATION REGARDING IMPLEMENTING A 90-DAY RETENTION SCHEDULE FOR OUT OF STATE LICENSE CERTIFICATIONS

Steve Weeks introduced the next agenda item concerning a proposal for implementing a 90-day retention schedule for out-of-state license certifications. Kristy Underwood explained that this regulatory change aims to establish how long the board maintains certifications from licensees in other states. This is in response to instances where such certifications might sit in records for months before action is taken, potentially leading to issues with the validity of the license at the time of reciprocity consideration. The proposed 90-day timeframe is to ensure that licenses are current and valid, preventing the acceptance of outdated certifications.

Steve Weeks raised a question about the prevalence of fraud related to out-of-state certifications. Ms. Underwood acknowledged significant fraud issues. However, she clarified that the 90-day rule primarily targets legitimate applications and does not directly address the fraud observed in out-of-state certifications. She noted that the fraud issue is complex with ongoing internal steps being taken to combat fraudulent activities.

**Motion**: Yolanda Jimenez made a motion to recommend to the full board the provided language for the proposed Section 911 as consideration for a regulatory proposal. Jacob Rostovsky seconded the motion.

**Public Comment**: No public comments were received.

Motion to recommend to the full board the above language for the proposed Section 911 as consideration for a regulatory proposal carried: 5 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstain, per the following roll call vote:

Committee Members voted "Yes": Steve Weeks, Tonya Fairley, Yolanda Jimenez, Colette Kavanaugh, and Jacob Rostovsky

### 5. AGENDA ITEM #5: PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA There were no public comments submitted.

#### 6. AGENDA ITEM #6, SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Steve Weeks proposed addressing a potential regulatory loophole that allows individuals who have lost their establishment licenses to re-enter the industry undetected by hiding their involvement in a new business venture. He suggested that the current lack of disclosure requirements for corporate stockholders, LLC members, or salon management employees, could enable previously disciplined owners to manage salons without the board's knowledge. Mr. Weeks recommended adding this topic to the agenda for the next committee meeting.

#### 7. AGENDA ITEM #7: ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at approximately 9:19 a.m.



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#### MEMORANDUM

DATE	April 22, 2024
то	Members, Licensing and Examinations Committee
FROM	Kristy Underwood, Executive Officer
SUBJECT	Agenda Item 4 - Discussion and Possible Recommendation Regarding Operating as a Corporation or Limited Liability Company Member if a Personal License was Previously Disciplined

#### **Background**

At the January 22, 2024, Licensing and Examinations Committee meeting, Chair Steve Weeks suggested the Committee discuss addressing a licensing loophole where a licensee who has been previously disciplined (such as having their license revoked) can then operate as a corporation or Limited Liability Company (LLC) member.

Business and Professions Code 7347(a) states in relevant part "...The applicant, if an individual, or each officer, director, and partner, if the applicant is other than an individual, shall not have committed acts or crimes which are grounds for denial of licensure in effect at the time the new application is submitted pursuant to Section 480...."

Every establishment application is carefully reviewed during processing. If a licensee was previously disciplined and then applied for an establishment license as a corporation officer or LLC member, the application could be denied depending on the nature of the violation that caused the revocation.

The application requires establishment applicants to answer whether they have ever had any professional or vocational license or registration denied, suspended, revoked, placed on probation, or other disciplinary action taken by the Board or any other governmental authority. If they have been disciplined, the applicant is instructed to attach an explanation. An analyst reviews the disclosure and considers age of violation or discipline and how it relates to running an establishment. Whether or not the applicant has disclosed discipline, the Board will search all social security numbers, individual taxpayer identification numbers, and/or employer identification numbers associated with the application within the licensing system to ensure any past disciplinary actions are identified.

While section 7347 states that each officer shall not have committed acts or crimes which are grounds for denial, the Board has no requirement to be notified when an officer changes.

#### Conclusion

The Committee should discuss the development of regulations that would require a corporation to notify the Board if there has been a change of officer. The Committee may ask staff to conduct research on how this would impact current workload and if this would be successful in holding members of a corporation accountable for prior discipline.

# Agenda Items No. 5-7 No Attachments