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## **STATE BOARD REVOKES ARCHITECT'S LICENSE**

The Board of Examiners of Architects announces that on August 18, 2006, the certificate of qualification to practice architecture for architect, **Raymond Victor Michiels, Jr., Cert. No. 12467** was revoked. Michiels, of Kennesaw, Georgia was licensed in Ohio via reciprocal registration.

After an investigation, the Board charged Mr. Michiels in July 2005 with engaging in plan stamping and aiding and abetting an unlicensed individual in the practice of architecture in the design of at least (4) four new "Beef O'Brady's Family Sports Pubs" during 2004-2005 in the following Ohio cities: Centerville, Eastlake, Holland & Maineville.

Additionally, Mr. Michiels did not possess a written contract with the clients for the provision of architectural services as is required by Ohio law and did not possess a Certificate of Authorization which is required in order to offer or provide architectural services in Ohio.

The Board, through its hearing officer, conducted an administrative hearing in this matter on May 22, 2006, whereby the hearing officer found that Mr. Michiels violated Ohio Revised Code sections 4703.15 (A) (3), (5) and 4703.18 (H), (L) and Ohio Administrative Code sections 4703-3-01 (C), 4703-3-02 (A), 4703-3-07 (D) (3), 4703-3-07 (E) (1) and 4703-3-09 (A). The hearing officer recommended the Board revoke Mr. Michiels' license to practice architecture in Ohio.

On July 21, 2006, the Board, after reviewing and considering the report and recommendation prepared by the hearing officer, approved and adopted the findings of fact, conclusions of law and recommendation, to the extent that it revoked the certificate of qualification to practice architecture in Ohio for Raymond Victor Michiels, Jr.

The Board orders Raymond Victor Michiels, Jr. to immediately cease and desist any further use of the aforementioned designations, performing any of the aforementioned work, or to in any way hold himself out to be qualified and permitted to practice as an “Architect” in the state of Ohio.

The use of any advertisements, letterhead, business cards, signs, or other materials which improperly portray Raymond Victor Michiels, Jr. as an “Architect” should be stopped.

The Board will notify NCARB, AIA chapters, state and local building departments of the action taken against Mr. Michiels.

The Board, which was formed in 1931 by the State Legislature, is charged with enforcing the laws and rules regarding the practice of architecture, and to protect the health, safety and welfare of Ohio’s citizens.

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