# BEFORE THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF ARCHITECTS, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS AND LICENSED INTERIOR DESIGNERS OF OKLAHOMA STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT AGAINST:  KATIE GOODSON	Case No. 2024-698
Respondent.	

## **CONSENT ORDER**

COMES NOW the Board of Governors of Architects, Landscape Architects and Licensed Interior Designers of Oklahoma (the "Board") and Respondent, Katie Goodson ("Mrs. Goodson" or "Respondent") state as follows:

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. At all relevant times, Respondent Mrs. Goodson has not held, and has not been issued, a License to practice architecture within the State of Oklahoma by the Board.
- 2. Respondent Mrs. Goodson has unlawfully, as defined in the Act at 59 Okla. Stat. § 46.8a(A), engaged in the practice of architecture within the state of Oklahoma when she drafted plans for the Pottawatomie County, Oklahoma Emergency Management Building, located at 153503 Acme Road, Shawnee, OK (the "Pottawatomie County Project").
- 3. The Pottawatomie County Project concerned the construction of a building to be used by a municipality, county, state, public trust, public agency or federal government with a construction value in excess of \$158,000.00.
- 4. Respondent Mrs. Goodson has unlawfully, as defined in the Act at 59 Okla. Stat. § 46.8a(A), engaged in the practice of architecture within the state of Oklahoma when she drafted plans for Home Church (the "Church Project").
- 5. The Church Project concerns the construction of a building with an A-3 Code Use Group, and an occupancy Load in excess of fifty (50) persons.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. The Oklahoma Board of Governors of Architects, Landscape Architects and Licensed Interior Designers has jurisdiction of this case pursuant to:
  - a. Oklahoma State Architectural and Licensed Interior Designers Act, 59
    Okla. Stat. §46.1 et. seq. (the "Act").
  - b. Rules of the Board as recorded in the Oklahoma Administrative Code 55:10-1-1 (the "Rules").
  - 2. The Act, at 59 Okla. Stat. § 46.7, states:

[T]he Board shall have the power and duty to... [p]romulgate rules of conduct governing the practice of licensed architects and landscape architects.

3. The Act, at 59 Okla. Stat. § 46.3(2), further provides that:

'Practice of Architecture' means rendering or offering to render certain services, in connection with the design and construction, enlargement or alteration of a building or a group of buildings and the space surrounding such buildings, including buildings which have as their principal purpose human occupancy or habitation. The services referred to include planning, providing preliminary studies, designs, drawings, specifications, investigations and other technical submissions prepared by other consultants including, as appropriate and without limitation, consulting engineers and landscape architects; provided, that the practice of architecture shall include such other professional services as may be necessary for the rendering of or offering to render architectural services.

- 4. The Act, at 59 Okla. Stat. § 46.3(3), defines "license" as a "license issued by the Board."
- 5. An architect is required to design a building with an "A-3" Code Use Group with an occupancy load in excess of fifty (50) people within the state of Oklahoma. *See* 59 Okla. Stat. § 46.21b(B)(6)

- 6. An architect is required to design a building that is to be used by a municipality, county, state, public trust, public agency or the federal government with a construction value in excess of \$158,000.00. *See* 59 Okla. Stat. § 46.21b(C)(5)(f).
  - 7. The Rules, at OAC 55:10-15-2(2) provides that:

Grounds for probation, denial, revocation, suspension, refusal to renew, orders, injunctions, civil and/or criminal penalties are as follows:

- (2) Violating the Act or any Rule in this Chapter, regulation or order issued by the Board, including the unlicensed practice of architecture or landscape architecture; . . .
- 8. Respondent was properly notified of the potential violation and acknowledged her right to counsel.
- 9. The Findings of Fact stipulated to by Respondent, if proven, constitute violations of the State Architectural and Licensed Interior Designers Act and the Rules of the Board as recorded in the Oklahoma Administrative Code 55:10-15-2(2), pertaining to the professional practice of architecture upon which the Board may take disciplinary action against Respondent.
- 10. Respondent in response to the Notice and Complaint admits guilt to the alleged violations of the State Architectural and Licensed Interior Designers Act and the Rules of the Board as recorded in the Oklahoma Administrative Code 55:10-15-2(2) and, in lieu of a proceeding of a Hearing and Formal Action, hereby agrees that the Board may enter this Consent Order as its final order against the Respondents as is set forth below.
- 11. Pursuant to Oklahoma Administrative Code (OAC) 55:10-15-10 the Secretary-Treasurer has the authority to seek informal resolution of matters referred to the Board.

12. Pursuant to Oklahoma Administrative Code (OAC) 55:10-15-10, the Secretary-Treasurer submits the following Consent Order to the Board for approval of the informal resolution and final disposition of this matter.

## **CONSENT**

Respondent, by affixing her signature hereto, acknowledges that:

- 1. Respondent understands this Consent Order is subject to the approval of the Board and has no force and effect until a final decision based upon it is rendered by the Board.
- 2. Respondent has been specifically advised to seek the advice of counsel prior to signing this Consent Order.
  - 3. Respondent acknowledges that she has the following rights, among others:
    - a. The right to a formal fact-finding hearing before the Board;
    - b. The right to reasonable notice of said hearing;
    - c. The right to compel the testimony of witnesses;
    - d. The right to cross-examine witnesses against themselves;
    - e. The right to obtain judicial review of the Board's decisions; and,
    - f. The right to counsel.
- 4. Respondent waives all other rights to a formal hearing as set forth above in paragraph three (3), if this Consent Order is approved by the Board.
- 5. Respondent understands that in order to make a decision relative to approving this Consent Order, discussions must take place between Board members, Board Staff and Board Counsel. These discussions may include the Board's review of any and all previously enumerated exhibits or referenced project materials. Respondent understands that these discussions will take place at the Board's next regularly scheduled meeting in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Respondent

understands she have a right to be present when this matter is discussed, but hereby waive that right.

- 6. Respondent, for the purpose of avoiding further administrative action with respect to this cause, execute this Consent Order. Should the Consent Order not be accepted by the Board, it is agreed that presentation to and consideration of the Consent Order by the Board shall not unfairly or illegally prejudice the Board or any of its members from further participation in or resolution of these proceedings. Likewise, if this Consent Order is not accepted, the Board shall not take into consideration the contents of this Consent Order as evidence of any admission and Respondents shall not be prejudiced in any way from proceeding to a formal Hearing at any future hearings before the Board.
- 7. Respondent expressly waives all further procedural steps, and expressly waives all rights to seek judicial review or to challenge or contest the validity of this Consent Order, the stipulated facts, conclusions of law and imposition of administrative action contained herein, and the final decision of the Board incorporating said Consent Order, if approved.
- 8. This Consent Order contains the entire agreement between the parties. Respondent is not relying on any other agreement or representation of any kind, verbal or otherwise.
- 9. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile copies of this Consent Order, including PDF and facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
- 10. This Consent Order is intended by the parties to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement. It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions, negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Consent Order may not be altered, amended, modified,

supplemented or otherwise changed except by a writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.

11. Respondent consents to the entry of this Consent Order.

## **ORDER**

In accordance with the foregoing findings of facts and conclusions of law, and the agreement and consent of the Respondents IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 12. Respondent Mr. Goodson is REPRIMANDED by the Board for providing architectural services in connection with the Pottawatomie County, Oklahoma Emergency Management Building project, located at 153503 Acme Road, Shawnee, Oklahoma (the "EMS Project") without having a license to practice architecture in the state of Oklahoma.
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- 14. Respondent is assessed a civil penalty in the amount of five-thousand dollars (\$5,000.00), which amounts to a \$2,500.00 penalty per agreed violation. The civil penalty shall be paid within 30 days of this Order.

#### **DISCLOSURE**

Pursuant to the Oklahoma Open Records Act, 51 Okla. Stat. §§ 24-A.1 through 24-A.21, the signed original of this Consent Order shall remain in the custody of the Board as a public record and shall be made available for public inspection, publication, and copying upon request, and may make any use it deems appropriate of the contents of this Consent Order, which shall include the Board's ability to share the content of this Consent Order with any state or federal governmental or professional board or organization, publication of a summary in the Board newsletter, posting

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KATIE GOODSON, RESPONDENT

Signature:

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# **CERTIFICATION OF BOARD ATTORNEY**

I believe this Consent Order to be in the best interests of the Oklahoma Board of Governors of Architects, Landscape Architects and Licensed Interior Designers and the State of Oklahoma for the alleged violations of the State Architectural and Licensed Interior Designers Act and the Rules of the Board as recorded in the Oklahoma Administrative Code 55:10.

Dated this 4th day of November 2025.

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## **ORDER OF THE BOARD**

NOW on this 54 day of November , 2025, Respondents have agreed voluntarily, with knowledge of their rights under law, to the entrance of this Consent Order for their purported actions which, if proven, violate the State Architectural and Licensed Interior Designers Act as defined in 59 Okla. Stat. § 46.1 et. seq., and the Rules of the Board recorded in the Oklahoma Administrative Code (OAC) 55:10-1-1 et. seq. It further appears that the foregoing Consent Order is just and equitable in order to safeguard life, health, and property, and to promote the public welfare in the State of Oklahoma.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Respondents' stipulation to the alleged violations of the State Architectural and Licensed Interior Designers Act as defined in 59 Okla. Stat. § 46.1 et. seg., and the Rules of the Board recorded in the Oklahoma Administrative Code (OAC) 55:10-1-1 et. seq., are accepted, and the above Consent Order incorporated herein shall be the order of the Oklahoma Board of Governors of Architects, Landscape Architects and Licensed Interior Designers.

Dated this 5th day of November, 2025.

OKLAHOMA BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF ARCHITECTS. LANDSCAPE **ARCHITECTS** AND LICENSED INTERIOR DESIGNERS

By:

Hanska, Executive Director. Oklahoma Board of Governors of Architects, Landscape Architects and Licensed Interior

Designers