

**BEFORE THE REAL ESTATE APPRAISER BOARD
STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

In the Matter of ERIC M. EDMONDSON,)
)
Respondent.)

Complaint #15-038

**BOARD'S DECISION AS TO ACCEPTANCE OF
AFFIDAVIT OF VOLUNTARY SURRENDER
IN LIEU OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS**

ON THE 6th day of July, 2016, the above numbered and entitled cause came on for hearing before the Oklahoma Real Estate Appraiser Board (the "Board" or "OREAB"). The Board was represented by its counsel, Bryan Neal, Assistant Attorney General. Respondent appeared not. On the 16th day of June 2016, the Respondent filed with the administrative office of the Board a properly executed Affidavit of Voluntary Surrender of Appraiser Credential in Lieu of Disciplinary Proceedings (the "Affidavit") dated the 16th day of June, 2016. The contents of the Affidavit are incorporated herein by reference, and the Affidavit is attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

The Board, being fully advised in this matter, hereby makes the following Order:

JURISDICTION

1. The OREAB has the duty to carry out the provisions of the Oklahoma Certified Real Estate Appraisers Act as set forth at Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes, §§858-701, *et seq.* and to establish administrative procedures for disciplinary proceedings conducted pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Certified Real Estate Appraisers Act.

2. The OREAB has promulgated rules and regulations to implement the provisions of the Oklahoma Certified Real Estate Appraisers Act in regard to disciplinary proceedings as set

forth at the Oklahoma Administrative Code, §§600:15-1-1 through 600:15-1-22, including, but not limited to, administrative disciplinary hearings and informal disposition of any individual proceeding by stipulation, agreed settlement, consent order or default.

3. The Respondent, Eric M. Edmondson, is a reciprocal Certified Residential Real Estate Appraiser in the State of Oklahoma, holding License Number 12352 CRA and was first licensed with the Oklahoma Real Estate Appraiser Board on August 5, 2015.

FINAL ORDER

WHEREFORE, the Board hereby accepts the Affidavit of Voluntary Surrender of Appraiser Credential in Lieu of Disciplinary Proceedings under the terms and conditions set forth herein, inclusive, of the Affidavit of the Respondent, Eric M. Edmondson, evidencing his knowing and voluntary surrender of his appraiser credential in lieu of disciplinary proceedings by the Board.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 6th day of July, 2016.



By: 
BRYAN NEAL, Assistant Attorney General
Counsel to the Board

By: 
ERIC SCHOEN, Board Secretary

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I, Christine McEntire, hereby certify that on the 3 day of August, 2016 a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Board's Decision as to Acceptance of Affidavit of Voluntary Surrender in Lieu of Disciplinary Proceedings was placed in the U.S. Mail, with postage pre-paid, by certified mail, return receipt requested to:

Eric M. Edmonson 7015 1520 0003 4174 3670
425 W Capitol Ave Ste 780
Little Rock, AR 72201

Eric M. Edmonson 7015 1520 0003 4174 3687
14004 Overcreek Pass
Little Rock, AR 72211

and that copies were forwarded by first class mail to the following:

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Christine McEntire



**STATE OF OKLAHOMA
REAL ESTATE APPRAISER BOARD**

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**AFFIDAVIT OF VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF APPRAISER CREDENTIAL
IN LIEU OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS**

I, Eric M. Edmondson, being of lawful age, swear and affirm under penalty of perjury, that:
(Print full name of individual surrendering credential)

1. I hold an appraiser credential as a Oklahoma Certified Residential Appraiser, credential # 12352CRA.
2. I desire to surrender my appraisal credential.
3. I am freely and voluntarily surrendering my appraisal credential.
4. In surrendering my credential, I am not subject to any duress or coercion.
5. I am aware that following grievance(s), investigation(s), and/or board complaint(s) are pending against me (please enter grievance, complaint, and/or control number(s); if there are more than 18 pending matters, complete another affidavit):
 1. 15-038
6. The contents of the above grievance(s), investigation(s), and/or board complaint(s) and the contents of any investigative or disciplinary files of the above pending grievance(s), investigation(s), and/or board complaint(s) are incorporated herein by reference.
7. I am aware that the allegations set forth in the above pending grievance(s), investigation(s), and/or board complaint(s), if proven, would constitute violations of the Oklahoma Real Estate Appraiser Act and/or the rules promulgated pursuant thereto, for which I could subject to be discipline by the Board, up to and including revocation of my appraiser credential.
8. I am fully aware of my rights to contest the allegations pending against me. These rights include: representation by an attorney at my own expense; the right to a public hearing on any charges or allegations filed; the right to confront and cross-examine witnesses called to testify against me; the right to present evidence on my own behalf; the right to compulsory process to secure attendance of such witnesses; the right to testify on my own behalf; the right to receive written findings of fact and conclusions of law supporting the decision on the merits of a complaint and the right to obtain judicial review of the Board's decision. In exchange for the Board's acceptance of the surrender of my appraiser credential, I voluntarily waive all of these rights.



9. I am aware that surrender of my credential shall not become effective until it has been approved by a majority of the Board.
10. I acknowledge this affidavit shall be presented to the Board with a recommendation from Board staff at the next available scheduled meeting of the Board.
11. I understand that the Board is free to accept or reject my surrender of my credential and, if rejected by the Board, a formal disciplinary hearing on the above pending matters may be held.
12. I understand that if the surrender is not accepted by the Board, it shall be regarded as null and void. Any admissions I make in this affidavit will not be regarded as evidence against me in the subsequent disciplinary hearing. I will be free to defend myself and no inferences will be made from my willingness to submit this affidavit.
13. I understand and agree that neither the presentation of this affidavit nor the Board's consideration of this affidavit will be deemed to have unfairly or illegally prejudiced the Board or its individual members and therefore will not be grounds for precluding the Board or any individual Board member from further participation in proceedings related to the matters set forth in this affidavit.
14. I understand and agree that should the Board accept my surrender of my appraiser credential that:
 - I cannot be identified as a Trainee, State Licensed, State Certified Residential or State Certified General Appraiser;
 - All reference(s) to certification/licensure must be immediately removed from all letterheads, business cards, appraisal report covers and other printed materials under my reasonable control; and
15. My real estate appraiser credential and pocket card are attached hereto.
16. I understand and agree that should the Board accept my surrender of my appraiser credential, I cannot and will not apply for reinstatement for a period of at least five (5) years.
17. I further state that (check one):

I do have a license, certificate or credential as an appraiser in the following jurisdiction(s) [LIST ALL JURISDICTIONS]:

<u>Arkansas CG 2776</u>	_____
Jurisdiction and Certificate or License Number	Jurisdiction and Certificate or License Number
_____	_____
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FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Signed: [Signature]
(Signature of individual surrendering credential)

STATE OF ARKANSAS)
COUNTY OF PULASKI) ss.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17 day of June, 2016.

[Signature]
Notary Public

My Commission expires: 1-3-18

My Commission Number is: 12363833





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JOHN D. DOAK, Chairperson
REAL ESTATE APPRAISER BOARD

THE INDIVIDUAL NAMED BELOW IS LICENSED TO ACT IN THE FOLLOWING CATEGORY

LICENSE NUMBER

12859CGA

EFFECTIVE DATE

8/5/2015

EXPIRES

8/31/2018

Certified General

Eric M. Edmondson

**425 W Capitol Ave Ste 780
Little Rock, AR 72201**

State of Oklahoma



John D. Doak, Insurance Commissioner

Oklahoma Real Estate Appraiser Board

This is to certify that:

Eric M. Edmondson

has complied with the provisions of the Oklahoma Real Estate Appraisers Act to transact business as a Certified General Real Estate Appraiser in the State of Oklahoma.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of my office to be affixed at the City of Oklahoma City, State of Oklahoma, this 5th day of August A.D. 2015.

Handwritten signature of John D. Doak in black ink.

*John D. Doak, Insurance Commissioner
Chairperson, Oklahoma Real Estate Appraiser Board*

Members, Oklahoma Real Estate Appraiser Board



James R. Artman

Shelley Bridd

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Bruce Cage

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Expires: 8/31/2018

Oklahoma Appraiser Number: 12859CGA

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OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINION
2016-433A

Christine McEntire, Director
Oklahoma Real Estate Appraiser Board
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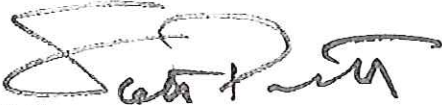
August 1, 2016

Dear Director McEntire:

This office has received your request for a written Attorney General Opinion regarding agency action that the Oklahoma Real Estate Appraiser Board ("Board") intends to take with respect to Board complaint 15-038 pertaining to licensee 12859CGA. The proposed action is to accept the voluntary surrender of the license and cease disciplinary proceedings. The licensee submitted applications for reinstatement and reciprocity but failed to disclose recent disciplinary proceedings, and a probation order, before the Arkansas Appraiser Licensing and Certification Board ("Arkansas Board"). The licensee's application for reciprocity contained a Letter of Good Standing from the Arkansas Board, which letter predated the Arkansas probation order by about two months. At the time the licensee submitted application materials to the Board, the licensee knew of the change in status of the Arkansas license as evidenced by the fact that the Arkansas probation order had already been issued. The Board approved the licensee's application for reciprocity while lacking information about the Arkansas proceedings.

The Oklahoma Certified Real Estate Appraisers Act, 59 O.S.2011 & Supp.2015, §§ 858-700–858-732, authorizes the Oklahoma Real Estate Appraiser Board to discipline licensees for "[p]rocurring or attempting to procure a certificate . . . by knowingly making a false statement, knowingly submitting false information, refusing to provide complete information in response to a question in an application for certification or through any form of fraud or misrepresentation," 59 O.S.2011, § 858-723(C)(1). Given evidence that the licensee knowingly withheld information about the Arkansas probation in obtaining licensure in Oklahoma, the Board may reasonably believe that acceptance of the licensee's voluntary surrender is necessary to deter future omissions and misrepresentations in applications to the Board.

It is, therefore, the official opinion of the Attorney General that the Oklahoma Real Estate Appraiser Board has adequate support for the conclusion that this action advances the State of Oklahoma's policy to ensure that applications for licensure are truthful and complete.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. Scott Pruitt". The signature is stylized with large, sweeping loops and a prominent initial "E".

E. SCOTT PRUITT
ATTORNEY GENERAL OF OKLAHOMA