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## Meeting Notice

**Board of Private Investigator Examiners  
March 15, 2010  
10:00am  
Division of Professional Registration  
3605 Missouri Blvd  
Jefferson City MO 65109**

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The Board may go into closed session at any time during the meeting. If the meeting is closed, the appropriate section will be announced to the public with the motion and vote recorded in open session minutes.

Agenda follows.

**Tentative Agenda**  
**BOARD OF PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR EXAMINERS**  
**MARCH 15, 2010                      10:00AM**  
**DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION**  
**3605 Missouri Blvd., Jefferson City, MO**

**OPEN SESSION**

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| <b>10:00am Call to Order</b>  | <b>Dwight McNeil<br/>Chairperson</b> |
| <b>Roll Call</b>  | <b>Pam Groose</b>                    |
| <b>Review and Approval of Agenda</b>  | <b>TAB 1</b>                         |
| <b>Review and Approval of Minutes</b><br>- February 26, 2010  | <b>TAB 2</b>                         |
| <b>Application update</b>   | <b>TAB 3</b>                         |
| <b>Legislative Update</b>   |                                      |
| <b>Press release update</b>   |                                      |
| <b>Future Meetings</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• April 2, 2010</li><li>• April 12, 2010</li></ul> |                                      |
| <b>Closed Session – Review of Applications for Licensure</b>  |                                      |

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**CLOSED SESSION**  
**WILL BEGIN AT END OF OPEN SESSION**

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| <b>Review and approval of Closed Agenda</b>                                | <b>Tab 5</b> |
| <b>Review and approval of Minutes</b><br>- February 26, 2010               | <b>Tab 6</b> |
| <b>Update related to ongoing litigation</b>                                |              |
| <b>Review of Applications for Licensure – Private Investigator</b>         |              |
| <b>Review of Applications for Licensure – Agency</b>                       |              |
| <b>Review of Applications for Licensure – Agency Investigator Employee</b> |              |
| <b>Back to Open</b>  |              |

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**MARCH 15, 2010 -- Open Minutes**

The open session of the Missouri Board of Private Investigator Examiners was called to order by Dwight McNeil, Chairperson, at 10:17 on March 15, 2010 at the Division of Professional Registration, 3605 Missouri Boulevard, Jefferson City, Missouri 65109.

**Members Present:**

Dwight McNeil, Chairperson  
Douglas Mitchell, Vice-Chairperson  
Francis "Chris" Rey, Member  
Kenneth McGhee, Public Member (left at 12:35pm)

**Staff Present:**

Pam Groose, Executive Director  
Roxy Brockman, Administrative Assistant  
Sarah Ledgerwood, Division Legal Counsel (arrived at 11:40am)

**Visitor Present:**

Scott Biondo, MAPI Representative

**Review and Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by Mr. Rey and seconded by Mr. Mitchell to approve the March 15, 2010 open agenda. All approved.

**Review and Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Mr. Mitchell and seconded by Mr. Rey to approve the open minutes from the February 26, 2010 meeting. All approved.

**Application update**

Ms. Groose provided the following information as of March 12, 2010: PI Applications – 70 applications have been received; PI Agencies – 36 applications received; Investigator Employees – 58 applications received. She said that made a total of 164 applications received altogether.

After a brief discussion a motion was made by Mr. McGhee and seconded by Mr. Rey to send everyone on the PI mailing list database a postcard informing them there is no grace period to obtain a PI license.

There was discussion by the board members, staff and visitor related to private investigators that are practicing and have not applied for license and what ways can be utilized to make it clear that there is not a grace period and applications for licensure must be sent in immediately.

The postcard will read as follows: (in red ink) There is no grace period for obtaining a private investigator license. If you are practicing in the state of Missouri as a private investigator you must apply for a license immediately. Please obtain the appropriate application(s) by clicking on the FORMS link. If you have any questions, please contact the board office for assistance. (Postcard will give website address and contact information.) This same information will also be placed on the PI website home page.

## **Press release update**

The board reviewed and discussed changes to the press release created by Travis Ford, Director of Communication.

## **Legislative Update**

Mr. McNiel said the House Bill and Senate Bill will have identical clean-up language. He said 4 (four) issues were noted: 1) Amends the language about employees working exclusively for one employer i.e. corporate in house investigators and railroad agency investigators; 2) Felony language would be amended to give the board the discretion to consider any felony on a case by case basis; 3) CPAs; 4) Would give the board the ability to deny a license if denied in another state. Mr. McNiel said that practicing without a private investigator license would become a D felony.

The board members discussed the issue of combining the private investigator board with the private fire investigator board. Senate Bill 991 proposes combining certain board and commissions. Senator Delbert Scott's office is handling this language. Historically the private fire investigator board was created 5 (five) years before the private investigator board was created but board members were never appointed to the private fire investigator board. Senate Bill 991 proposes the combined boards would be comprised of 3 members from the private investigators, one public member and 3 private fire investigators.

Mr. McGhee asked how many private fire investigators there are in the state and Mr. McNiel responded the best guess is between 75-100. The board members discussed the ratio of licensees to board members. Ms. Groose said the current vacant public member position is being offered up as the position for a private fire investigator board member. Scott Biondo, representative from MAPI, was recognized and said that MAPI feels that it is appropriate for a private fire investigator to take the place of the current vacant public position.

On another note, Mr. Biondo informed the board that Don Kissel, MAPI lobbyist, had passed away earlier in the morning. The board broke for lunch 12:10pm and returned to open session at 12:50pm. A moment of silence was observed in observance of Mr. Kissel's passing.

The Board met with Ms. Clarkston to discuss strategy and how best to get the proposed board composition when/if the private fire investigator and private investigator examiners is merged.

## **Future Meetings**

- April 2, 2010
- April 12, 2010

A motion was made by Mr. Mitchell and seconded by Mr. Rey to go into closed session for #2, #5, #9 at 1:00pm. Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rey and Mr. McNiel all approved.

The board members met with Connie Clarkston to discuss the legislative language in regard to merging the private fire and private investigation boards.

A motion was made by Mr. Rey and seconded by Mr. Mitchell to go into closed session at 2:50pm for #2, #5, #9. Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rey and Mr. McNiel all approved.

The board members met with Connie Clarkston to discuss the legislative language in regard to merging the private fire and private investigation boards.

A motion was made by Mr. Rey and seconded by Mr. Mitchell go into closed session for #2, #5, #9 at 3:40pm. Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rey and Mr. McNiel all approved

The board members met with Connie Clarkston to discuss the legislative language in regard to merging the private fire and private investigation boards.

A motion was made by Mr. Mitchell and seconded by Mr. Rey to return to closed session for #2, #5, and #9 at 4:30pm. Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rey and Mr. McNiel all approved.

A motion was made by Mr. Mitchell and seconded by Mr. Rey to adjourn the meeting at 5:05pm. All approved.

  
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Executive Director Signature

April 2, 2010  
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Date Approved by Board

## MOTIONS

### 1. INVESTIGATIONS / COMPLAINTS / AUDITS

I move that this meeting be closed, and that all records and votes, to the extent permitted by law, pertaining to and/or resulting from this closed meeting be closed under section 610.021 subsection (14) and section 620.010.14 subsection (7) RSMo for the purpose of discussing investigative reports and/or complaints and/or audits and/or other information pertaining to a licensee or applicant.

### 2. LEGAL ACTIONS / LITIGATIONS / PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATIONS

I move that this meeting be closed, and that all records and votes, to the extent permitted by law, pertaining to and/or resulting from this closed meeting be closed under section 610.021 subsection (1) RSMo for the purpose of discussing general legal actions, causes of action or litigation and any confidential or privileged communications between this agency and its attorney.

### 3. DISCIPLINE

I move that this meeting be closed, and that all records and votes, to the extent permitted by law, pertaining to and/or resulting from this closed meeting be closed under section 610.021 subsection (1) RSMo for the purpose of deliberation on discipline.

### 4. PROMOTING / HIRING / DISCIPLINING / FIRING EMPLOYEES

I move that this meeting be closed, and that all records and votes, to the extent permitted by law, pertaining to and/or resulting from this closed meeting be closed under section 610.021 subsection (3) RSMo for the purpose of discussing hiring, firing, disciplining, or promoting an employee of this agency.

### 5. APPLICATIONS

I move that this meeting be closed, and that all records and votes pertaining to and/or resulting from this closed meeting be closed under section 610.021 subsection (14) and section 620.010.14 subsection (7) RSMo for the purpose of discussing applicants for licensure.

### 6. EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE RATINGS

I move that this meeting be closed, and that all records and votes pertaining to and/or resulting from this closed meeting be closed under section 610.021 subsection (13) RSMo for the purpose of making performance ratings pertaining to individual employees.

### 7. EXAMINATION MATERIALS

I move that this meeting be closed, and that all records and votes pertaining to and/or resulting from this closed meeting be closed under section 610.021 subsection (7) RSMo for the purpose of discussing and/or reviewing testing and examination materials.

### 8. DIAGNOSIS / TREATMENT OF DISCIPLINED LICENSEES

I move that this meeting be closed, and that all records and votes, to the extent permitted by law, pertaining to and/or resulting from this closed meeting be closed under section 610.021 subsection (5) RSMo for the proceedings required pursuant to a disciplinary order concerning medical, psychiatric, psychological, or alcoholism or drug dependency diagnosis or treatment of specific licensees.

### 9. CLOSED MINUTES

I move that this meeting be closed, and that all records and votes pertaining to and/or resulting from this closed meeting be closed, for the purpose of reviewing and approving the closed minutes of one or more previous meetings under the subsections of 610.021 which authorized this agency to go into closed session during those meetings.