



STATE OF MAINE  
 DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL  
 AND FINANCIAL REGULATION  
 OFFICE OF LICENSING & REGISTRATION  
 35 STATE HOUSE STATION  
 AUGUSTA, MAINE  
 04333-0035

JOHN ELIAS BALDACCI  
 GOVERNOR

ANNE L. HEAD  
 DIRECTOR

Re: )  
 James Staples ) CONSENT AGREEMENT  
 2008-PLU-4474 )

**PARTIES**

1. This is a Consent Agreement regarding the license of James Staples to work as a plumber within the State of Maine. The parties to this Consent Agreement are James Staples ("the licensee"); the Plumbers' Examining Board ("the Board"); and the Maine Department of Attorney General ("the Attorney General"). This Consent Agreement is entered into pursuant to 10 MRSA §8003(5)(B).

**FACTS**

- 2. On March 24, 2008, James Staples applied for a license to the Board.
- 3. James Staples willfully failed to fully disclose on the application that he was convicted of the following crime(s):

Class D, Assault on 8/26/97

**VIOLATION**

4. Title 10 M.R.S.A. §8003(5-A)(A)(1) provides in relevant part that "the board may deny or refuse to renew a license ...for ... the practice of fraud, deceit or misrepresentation in obtaining a license from the board ... or in connection with services rendered while engaged in the occupation or profession for which the person is licensed." For the reasons set forth, the board believes that you failed to disclose a criminal conviction(s) on a license application, and that this nondisclosure constitutes the practice of fraud or deceit in obtaining a license in violation of 10 M.R.S.A. §8003(5-A)(A)(1).

5. The licensee admits that his non-disclosure of the above-mentioned conviction on the application dated March 24, 2008 constituted the practice of fraud or deceit in obtaining a license in violation of 10 MRSA §8003(5-A)(A)(1).



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**PENALTY**

6. As discipline for this violation, the licensee shall pay a civil penalty of \$25.00 no later than April 30, 2008.

7. If the licensee fails to pay this amount in full by the due date, the licensee understands that a license will not be issued.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

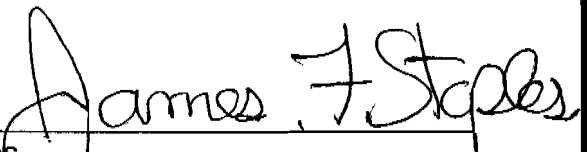
8. This Consent Agreement is not appealable and remains in effect until modified or rescinded in writing by the parties.

9. The Board and the Attorney General may communicate and cooperate regarding any matter relating to this Consent Agreement.

10. This Consent Agreement is a public record as defined in 1 MRSA §402 and is available for inspection and copying by the public pursuant to 1 MRSA §408.

11. The licensee acknowledges by his signature below that he has read this Consent Agreement, that he has had an opportunity to consult with an attorney before executing this Consent Agreement, that he executed this Consent of his own free will, and that he agrees to abide by the terms of this Consent Agreement.

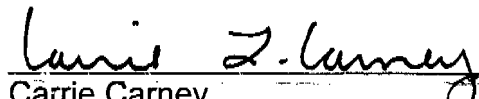
Dated: 4-3-08

  
James Staples

Dated: 4-9-08

  
Percy Brown, Chairman  
Plumbers' Examining Board

Dated: 4-14-08

  
Carrie Carney  
Assistant Attorney General