In the Matter of:

Non-Registrant

Christopher Huynh

BEFORE THE ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF TECHNICAL REGISTRATION

Case No.: P24-096

CONSENT AGREEMENT and ORDER OF DISCIPLINE

Respondent

In the interest of a prompt and judicious resolution of the above-captioned matter before the Arizona State Board of Technical Registration ("Board") and consistent with the public interest, statutory requirements, and the responsibilities of the Board, and pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-101 et seq., and A.A.C. R4-30-120(G), the undersigned party, Christopher Huynh, Non-Registrant, ("Respondent") and the Board enter into the following Recitals, Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order ("Consent Agreement") as a final disposition of this matter.

RECITALS

- 1. Respondent has read and understands this Consent Agreement and has had or waived the opportunity to discuss this Consent Agreement with an attorney.
- 2. Respondent understands that he has a right to a public administrative hearing at which he could present evidence and cross-examine witnesses. By entering into this Consent Agreement, Respondent knowingly, voluntarily, and irrevocably waives his right to such an administrative hearing, as well as rights of rehearing, review, reconsideration, appeal, judicial review or any other administrative and/or judicial action concerning the matters set forth herein.
- 3. Respondent affirmatively agrees that this Consent Agreement shall be irrevocable.
- 4. Respondent understands that this Consent Agreement or any part of the agreement may be considered in any future disciplinary action by the Board against him.

- 5. The Consent Agreement, any record prepared in this matter, all investigative materials prepared or received by the Board, and all related exhibits and materials may be retained in the Board's files pertaining to this matter.
- 6. Respondent understands this Consent Agreement deals with Board case number P24-096, involving allegations that Respondent engaged in conduct that would subject him to discipline under the Board's statutes and rules. The investigation into these allegations against Respondent shall be concluded upon the Board's adoption of this Consent Agreement.
- 7. Respondent understands that this Consent Agreement does not constitute a dismissal or resolution of any other matters currently pending before the Board, if any, and does not constitute any waiver, express or implied, of the Board's statutory authority or jurisdiction regarding any other pending or future investigation, action or proceeding.
- 8. Respondent understands that acceptance of this Consent Agreement does not preclude any other agency, subdivision, or officer of this State from instituting any other civil or criminal proceedings with respect to the conduct that is the subject of this Consent Agreement.
- 9. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that, upon signing this Consent Agreement and returning this document to Board staff, he may not revoke acceptance of the Consent Agreement or make any modifications to the document regardless of whether the Consent Agreement has been signed on behalf of the Board. Any modification to this original document is ineffective and void unless mutually agreed by the parties in writing.
- 10. This Consent Agreement is subject to the approval of the Board and is effective only when accepted by the Board and signed on behalf of the Board. If the Board does not accept this Consent Agreement, the Board retains its authority to hold a formal administrative hearing pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-128(E). In the event that the Board does not approve this Consent Agreement, it is withdrawn and shall be of no evidentiary value and shall not be relied upon nor introduced in any action by any party, except that the parties agree that should the Board reject this Consent Agreement and this

case proceeds to hearing, Respondent shall assert no claim that the Board was prejudiced by its review and discussion of this document or any related records.

- 11. If a court of competent jurisdiction rules that any part of this Consent Agreement is void or otherwise unenforceable, the remainder of the Consent Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.
- 12. Respondent understands that any violation of this Consent Agreement may result in disciplinary action, including suspension or revocation of a registration under A.R.S. § 32-150.
- 13. Respondent agrees that the Board will adopt the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The Board is the duly constituted authority for the regulation and control of the profession of Architecture, and Professional Engineering.
- 2. Respondent is not currently registered with the Board as a Registered Architect or a Professional Engineer, nor was he registered with the Board as a Registered Architect or a Professional Engineer at any time relevant to the allegations underlying this Consent Agreement.
 - 3. On March 20, 2024, the Board received a complaint alleging:
 - a. On or about December 18, 2023, Felton Group was hired for the Abel Ranch Project in Goodyear, AZ by Mertiage Homes;
 - b. Respondent altered sealed PDF architectural construction documents, through modification of floor plans, elevations line work, dimensions, plate height, building section dimensions, modifying the title block and other community information as well as adding a garage service door;
 - c. Respondent altered sealed PDF structural construction documents and structural calculations, including title blocks, foundation schedules, foundation design, plate height information on the framing plans and structural calculations; and

- d. Respondent made these alterations to sealed architectural and structural construction documents and sealed structural calculations with the intent to submit them to the City of Goodyear.
- 4. On May 24, 2024, Respondent acknowledged that on or about October 30, 2023, he modified and altered plans and documents previously signed and sealed by Andrew Wheeler, Registered Architect #74034 and Michael Brooks, Registered Professional Engineer (Civil) #67809. Respondent also stated in an email message, "Obviously, it was very poor judgement on my part and quite frankly I'm as embarrassed as I am anything else... Understanding that, I accept full responsibility and again will not be contesting the complaint."
 - 5. On July 16, 2024, Respondent acknowledged:
 - a. Modifying the existing plans utilizing a computer CAD program in use by Meritage homes;
 - b. Modifying and altering plans and documents previously signed and sealed by Andrew Wheeler, Registered Architect #74034 and Michael Brooks, Registered Professional Engineer (Civil) #67809, including altering the floor plans, elevations, line work, dimensions, plate height, and building section dimensions, modifying the title block and community information, and adding a garage service door as well as altering structural construction documents and structural calculations from Rancho Mirage including title blocks, foundation schedules, foundation design, framing plan plate height information, and structural calculations; and
 - c. Attempting to submit these same plans or documents to the City of Goodyear for approval.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Board has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-101, et seq.

including A.R.S. § 32-106.02(A).

- 2. The conduct alleged in the Findings of Fact, constitutes grounds for discipline pursuant to A.R.S. 32-121 and A.R.S. 32-145(1) in that Respondent may have practiced or offered or by any implication held himself out as qualified to practice a Board regulated profession without Board registration.
- 3. The conduct alleged in the Findings of Fact, constitutes grounds for discipline pursuant to A.R.S. 32-145(4) in that Respondent may have used the registration of another.

ORDER

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Board issues the following Order:

- 1. CIVIL PENALTY. Within Twelve (12) Months from the effective date of this Consent Agreement, Respondent shall pay a civil penalty of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000) by certified check or money order made payable to the State of Arizona Board of Technical Registration.
- 2. COST OF INVESTIGATION. Within Twelve (12) Months from the effective date of this Consent Agreement, Respondent shall pay the cost of investigation of this case to the Board in the amount of Three Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$330.00) by certified check or money order made payable to the State of Arizona Board of Technical Registration.
- 3. OBEY ALL LAWS. Respondent shall obey all federal, state and local laws, related to the practice of Architecture and the practice of Engineering in the State of Arizona. The Board shall consider each violation of this paragraph to be a separate violation of the statutes governing the Arizona Board of Technical Registration.
- 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. The effective date of this Consent Agreement is the date the Respondent and Board sign the Consent Agreement. If the dates are different, the effective date is the later of the two dates.
 - 5. COSTS OF COMPLIANCE. Respondent shall pay all costs associated with

1	complying with this Consent Agreement.
2	6. NONCOMPLIANCE. If Respondent fails to fulfill any requirement of this
3	Order, the Board may seek any available legal remedy including filing a Petition for
4	Injunction in the appropriate court pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-106.01.
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6	ACCEPTED and ORDERED this 29th day of Och ber, 2024.
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8	Michael Kolejka, R.A., Chairman
9	Arizona State Board of
10	Technical Registration
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12	Consent Agreement and Order, No. P24-096 accepted this 10th day of
13	October , 2024.
14	Christopher Huynh Christopher Huynh, Respondent
15	Christopher Huynh, Respondent
16	ORIGINAL filed this/_ day of
17	November 2024, with:
18	Arizona State Board of Technical Registration
19	1110 W. Washington, Suite 240 Phoenix, AZ 85007
20	COPY of the foregoing mailed via Certified Mail
21	No. 9 214 89 01 9 434 4600 099491 and First Class mail this day of November, 2024, to:
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23	Christopher Huynh 18655 North Claret Drive, Suite 400
24	Scottsdale AZ, 85255
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26	By:
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