INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held June 20, 2024

George D. Bedwick, Chairman John F. Mizner, Esq., Vice Chairman John J. Soroko, Esq., dissenting Murray Ufberg, Esq. Dennis A. Watson, Esq.

Regulation No. 16A-66 (#3361)
Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs
Consideration of Criminal Convictions

On November 4, 2022, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs (Bureau). This rulemaking amends 49 Pa. Code Chapter 43b. The proposed regulation was published in the November 19, 2022 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a public comment period ending on December 19, 2022. At its April 18, 2024 public meeting, the Commission voted to disapprove the final-form regulation. On June 3, 2024, the Department submitted its report containing the revised final-form regulation to the Commission.

This regulation provides for schedules of criminal convictions that may constitute grounds to refuse to issue, suspend, or revoke a license, certificate, registration, or permit for each of the 29 professional and occupational licensing boards/commissions.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Bureau (63 Pa.C.S. § 3117; 71 P.S. §§ 186 and 279.1(a)(7) and (8)) and the intention of the General Assembly. Having considered all of the other criteria of the Regulatory Review Act, we find promulgation of this regulation is in the public interest.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

This regulation is approved.

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George D. Bedwick, Chairman