

# STATE OF NEBRASKA

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## BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY

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## NEWS RELEASE

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## STATE BOARD ISSUES ORDERS

**The Nebraska State Board of Public Accountancy (Board) issued several Orders after their January 10<sup>th</sup> and February 13<sup>th</sup> Board meetings including:**

- Held a disciplinary hearing involving **Ms. Alexandra Bruening, Omaha**, regarding alleged violations of improper reporting of continuing professional education (CPE) and not responding to Board staff requests for information during a CPE audit. The Board issued an Order revoking Ms. Bruening's CPA credentials.
- Held a disciplinary hearing involving **Mr. Clarence (Fred) Weber, Sioux City, IA**, regarding alleged violations of completing attest work while not authorized to do so as reported by the State Auditor's Office and not being properly enrolled within a peer review program. The Board issued an Order revoking Mr. Weber's CPA credentials.
- The Board agreed to enter into a Consent Order with the CPA Firm **Ritterbush & Piotrowski, LLP, Omaha**, for alleged violations of not being properly enrolled within a peer review program while issuing several audits and not responding to Board staff requests for information. The Order issued a civil fine for \$5000, placed the firm on probation for three years, and reimbursement for Board attorney fees.
- The Board agreed to enter into a Consent Order with the CPA Firm **Eric Ortmeier, CPA, Fremont**, for alleged violations of not being properly licensed as a CPA firm with the Board since 2022 while providing professional services including attest work. The Order issues a civil fine for \$500 and reimbursement of Board attorney fees.

- Held a hearing upon request of the CPA Firm ***Martin Gunderson, CPA, Omaha,*** to remove restrictions from a previous Board Order issued in 2019 limiting the firm's ability to do attest work along with other requirements. The Board issued an Order indicating the Board would not alter the 2019 restrictions.

Any questions and/or inquiries regarding the above Orders issued by the Board should be directed to the Board's Executive Director Dan Sweetwood at (402) 471-3595 or at [Dan.Sweetwood@Nebraska.gov](mailto:Dan.Sweetwood@Nebraska.gov).

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The Nebraska State Board of Public Accountancy administers public accountancy law in Nebraska. Six of the eight Board Members are certified public accountants with active permits to practice and two are members of the public. Information about licensed CPA's can be obtained by calling the Board office at (402) 471-3595.  
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