



North Carolina Department of Public Safety

Private Protective Services Board

Josh Stein, Governor
Jeffrey Smythe, Secretary

Steve Johnson, Vice Chair
Paul Sherwin, Director

Meeting Minutes
May 21, 2026, 11 a.m.
Hampton Inn and Suites – Raleigh/Crabtree Valley

Board Members Present

Debra Duncan	Richard Epley
Steve Johnson	William MacRae
Ron Burris	Donald Miller
Candace Ratliff	
Paul Schroll	

Staff Present

Paul Sherwin
Ray Bullard
Kim Odom
Jeff Gray
Mercedes Sierra

Board Members Absent

Assata Buffaloe	Stacy Buff
Andy Renfrow	Dierdre Hatcher
David Poston	Suzanne Creech

Call to Order

Vice Chair Steve Johnson called the May 21, 2026, meeting of the North Carolina Private Protective Services Board to order at 11:00 a.m.

State Ethics Law

Attorney Jeff Gray read the following statement:

"In accordance with the State Ethics Law, it is the duty of every Board member to avoid both conflicts of interest and appearances of conflict. If any member has any known conflict of interest or appearance of conflict with respect to any matter coming before this Board today, please identify the conflict or appearance of conflict and refrain from deliberation and voting in that matter."

Approval of the March 2026 Board Meeting Minutes

Motion: Ron Burris motioned to approve the March 19, 2026, Board meeting minutes. Don Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Final Agency Decision(s)

None.

Grievance Committee

Grievance Committee members Ron Burris, Candace Ratliff, Steve Johnson, Suzanne Creech, and Paul Schroll met on May 20, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:18 p.m. They heard 13 cases. Committee Chair Ron Burris presented the Grievance Committee report.

Motion: Paul Schroll motioned to accept all the Committee's recommendations, except for case 2026-PPS-017. Don Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion: Paul Schroll motioned to accept the Committee's recommendation for case 2026-PPS-017. Donald Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Candace Ratliff recused from the vote.

See the attachment for the full Grievance Committee report.

Screening Committee

Screening Committee members Debra Duncan, Richard Epley, Bill MacRae, and Don Miller met on May 20, 2026, from 2:15 p.m. to 4:42 p.m., to review 67 new license applications, two QA for Two Companies applications, and one registration denial appeal. Committee Chair Debra Duncan presented the Screening Committee report.

Motion: Paul Schroll motioned to accept the Screening Committee report. Candace Ratliff seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

See the attachment for the full Screening Committee report.

Training and Education Committee

Training and Education Committee members Richard Epley, Candace Ratliff, Dave Poston, Steve Johnson, Don Miller, and Paul Schroll met on May 21, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. Committee Chair Candace Ratliff presented the Training and Education Committee report, which included updates on completed and planned train-the-trainer courses, as well as the results of one recent compliance audit conducted by Board staff, and one weapon discharge report.

Ms. Ratliff also reported that the Committee reviewed 10 applications for new continuing education courses and 34 applications for renewal of existing continuing education courses. She stated that the Committee recommended approving all the courses.

Motion: Don Miller motioned to accept the Training and Education Committee report. Debra Duncan seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

See the attachment for the full Training and Education Committee report.

Law and Rules Committee

Law and Rules Committee members Debra Duncan, Candace Ratliff, Bill MacRae, Paul Schroll, and Steve Johnson met on May 21, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 10:25 a.m. Committee Chair Steve Johnson presented the Committee Report.

Mr. Johnson reported that the Committee recommended the Board amend 14B NCAC 16 .0904 to state that a firearms trainer must meet the requirements of Rule .0901(a)(3) and successfully qualify with a firearm only once in two attempts. Firearms trainers are currently required to qualify twice in three attempts.

Motion: Bill MacRae motioned to amend Rule .0904 to state that a firearms trainer shall meet the requirements of Rule .0901(a)(3) and shall be required to qualify only once in two consecutive attempts. Paul Schroll seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Next, Mr. Johnson reported that the Committee recommended the Board amend 14B NCAC 16 .0707 to cap at 35 the number of students attending an unarmed security guard training course, regardless of the course's delivery format. He stated synchronous online training does not currently have a class size limit.

Motion: Bill MacRae motioned to amend Rule .0707(6) to establish a limit of 35 students for all unarmed guard training courses, including those delivered in-person, in-person remotely, synchronously online, or in a hybrid format. Don Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Johnson also reported that the Committee recommended the Board amend 14B NCAC 16 .0705 and .1305 to state that an online criminal record background check is required to transfer the registration of an unarmed security guard or unarmed armored car guard. Currently, he said, no background check is required when guards transfer between companies.

Motion: Bill MacRae motioned to amend Rules .0705 and .1305 to require a background check for unarmed guard transfers. Don Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Finally, Director Sherwin reported the findings of his research into the feasibility of the Board issuing ID cards with enhanced security features, such as holograms. He explained that the Board's current cards do not have any security features and cost only \$0.60 per card to print. Director Sherwin said that he obtained a quote that estimated the cost of secure, forgery-resistant ID cards to be \$73.90 per card, in addition to the start-up costs associated with purchasing new card printers, secure card laminate, etc. The Committee decided not to pursue the matter further due to the high cost.

Motion: Paul Schroll motioned to accept the Law & Rules Committee Report. Don Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Finance Committee

No report.

Emerging Technology Committee

No report.

Special Committee Unlicensed Activity

No report.

SSLB/PPSB Joint Special Committee

No report.

Old Business

None.

New Business

None.

Director's Report

Director Sherwin presented his Director's Report. The report included information about Board staff changes, the status of the Board's active licensees and registrants, and an update on Board finances.

Motion: Paul Schroll motioned to accept the Director's Report. Candace Ratliff seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

See the attachment for the full Director's Report.

Attorney's Report

Attorney Gray presented his Attorney's Report, which included updates about the status of consent agreements, pending administrative rule changes, litigation, and legislative updates.

Motion: Debra Duncan motioned to accept the Attorney's Report. Paul Schroll seconded. The motion carried unanimously

See the attachment for the full Attorney's Report.

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None.

Public Comment

Shaun Marso provided an update from the N.C. Association of Private Investigators, including a report on its recent annual conference and membership numbers.

Steven Corbin commented on several matters, including:

- Concerns about former employees, like security guards, keeping company-branded uniforms and equipment. He encouraged the Board to adopt a law or rule that requires former employees to turn in such items.
- He urged the Board to consider requiring drug testing for armed guards.
- He asked the Board to issue guidance on the use of the TASER10 and whether it can or should be used by security guards.
- He expressed frustration with the Board's requirement that a company's qualifying agent be a resident of North Carolina if the firm maintains a physical office in the State.
- He asked whether the Board has discretion in its use of consent agreements. The Board responded, yes, it does, as consent agreements are voluntary settlement agreements.

Adjourn

Paul Schroll motioned to adjourn the meeting. Candace Ratliff seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 12:22 p.m.

Paul Sherwin, Director

Mercedes Sierra, Board Secretary

Meeting Guests

Anthony Trevino*	William Smith*	Christina Suppa*	Craig Petronella*
Cuauhtemoc Dominguez*	Dean Wiley *	Dorian Dehnal*	Dwan Barnes*
Elizabeth Leitzbach*	Felicia Sheares*	Gregory Crotts*	Hannah Carlson*
Jacob Harris*	Jeffrey Kiker*	John Honeycutt*	Kara Baldy*
Karen Battle*	Kevin Hecksher*	Lenny Neff*	Michelle Griffin*
Nathan Harris*	Patrick Mitchell*	Rexford Ginn*	Richard Vicars*
Ron Russo*	Samuel Bowden*	Steven Corbin*	Thomas Younts*
Timothy Reilly*	Tony Apple*	Aaron Williamson*	William Melton*
George Porter	Corinne Scott	Jeff Mixon	Timothy Neal
Marco Norman	William MacRae	Craig Gorham	Dionne Porter
David Dodge	Marty Burroughs	Lorie Burroughs	Linwood King
Riley Queontezze	Tina Wilson	Shaun Marso	Serge Chassagne
Joshua Brewer			

***Virtual attendee**



PPSB Grievance After Report for May 21, 2026 9:00 am

	Case Number	Complaint Against	Allegation(s)	Grievance Committee Recommendation	Board Action
1.	2025-PPS-047	Carl Dangerfield Dangerfield Investigations and Consulting 205 Oakview Drive Salisbury, NC 28146	NCGS 74C-12(a) 14B NCAC 16 .0404(a)	September 2025 finding: Find a violation of NCGS 74C-12(a)(20) and 14B NCAC 16 .0404(a). Suspend Carl Dangerfield's private investigator license for one year. Notify all PI Associates under Mr. Dangerfield's supervision of the suspension. Mr. Dangerfield is to attend the 4-hour PPSB Industry Training as a condition of license reinstatement, should he apply to do so. May 2026 finding: Find a violation of NCGS 74C-12(a)(20) and 14B NCAC 16 .0404(a). Mr. Dangerfield is cautioned not to violate NCGS 74C-12(a)(20) and 14B NCAC 16 .0404(a) again. Accept Mr. Dangerfield's settlement offer to enter into a consent agreement with Mr. Dangerfield in which he agrees to reimburse complainant Robert Raymond \$500.00 no later than May 30, 2026, and Mr. Dangerfield will withdraw his request for a contested case at the Office of Administrative Hearings.	Accepted
2.	2025-PPS-095	Kevin Donald Kollar Security Engineers, Inc. 2989 Tucker St Attention SEI Security Burlington, NC 27215	NCGS 74C-11 14B NCAC 16 .0108(b)	Find a violation NCGS 74C-11 and NCGS 74C-13. Enter into a consent agreement with Michael Nessler and Security Engineers, Inc. in the amount of \$2,019.60 for 15 unarmed security guard registration violations and 1 armed security guard registration violation. James Bottom and Curtis Blackwell are to attend PPSB Registration Procedures training following the September 2026 Board meeting. Staff is to conduct a follow-up registration compliance audit of Q1 and Q2 of 2027.	Accepted
3.	2025-PPS-103	Robert Anthony Santiago, II	NCGS 74C-12(a)(9)	No violation.	Accepted

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		3217 Bass Drive Sherrills Ford, NC 28673			
4.	2025-PPS-108	Samuel Lankford Greenway Protective Services, Inc 4604 Jefferson Wood Ct Greensboro, NC 27410	NCGS 74C-2	March 2026 finding: Find a violation of NCGS 74C-2. Continue the cease and desist order previously issued to Samuel Lankford and Greenway Services, Inc. May 2026 finding: Find no violation, as of Oct. 24, 2025. Withdraw the cease and desist order previously issued to Samuel Lankford and Greenway Services, Inc.	Accepted
5.	2025-PPS-112	Andrew Seward Tailormade Protective Services, LLC 205 Regency Executive Park Dr Ste 200 Charlotte, NC 28217	14B NCAC 16 .0108(b)	Find a violation of NCGS 74C-11 and NCGS 74C-13. Enter into a consent agreement with Andrew Seward and Tailormade Protective Services, LLC, in the amount of \$3,610.80 for 16 unarmed security guard registration violations and nine armed security guard registration violations. Compliance Manager Angela Criscolu is to attend Registration Procedures training following the September 2026 Board meeting. Board staff is to conduct a follow-up registration compliance audit of Q1 and Q2 of 2027.	Accepted
6.	2025-PPS-114	Roger Lee Ladd N.C. Detective Agency, Inc 2102 Fay St Durham, NC 277040000	14B NCAC 16 .0108(b)	Find a violation of NCGS 74C-11. Enter into a consent agreement with Roger Ladd and N.C. Detective Agency, Inc. in the amount of \$367.20 for three unarmed security guard registration violations. No follow-up audit is recommended.	Accepted

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7.	2025-PPS-115	Marco Norman Occam Security 8130 Baymeadows Way West Suite 302 Jacksonville, FL 32256	14B NCAC 16 .0108(b)	Find a violation of NCGS 74C-11 and 14B NCAC 16 .0103(15). Enter into a consent agreement with Marco Norman and Occam Security in the amount of \$13,406.40 for 36 unarmed security guard registration violations and nine months of operating an N.C. branch office with no in-state Qualifying Agent. Designee James Wright and Marco Norman are to attend Registration Procedures training following the September 2026 Board meeting. Board staff is to conduct a follow-up registration compliance audit of Q1 & Q2 2027.	Accepted
8.	2025-PPS-116	Charles Reedy Black Bag Crew Holding Company, LLC 1750 Powder Springs Rd Ste. 190 PMB 94 Marietta, GA 30064	14B NCAC 16 .0108(b)	Find a violation of NCGS 74C-11. Enter into a consent agreement with Charles Reedy and Black Bag Crew Holding Company, LLC, in the amount of \$1,867.20 for three unarmed security guard registration violations. Designee Roger Daniels and Charles Reedy are to attend Registration Procedures training following the September 2026 Board meeting. Board staff is to conduct a follow-up registration compliance audit of Q1 & Q2 2027.	Accepted
9.	2025-PPS-123	Brian Richardson Wiggins Chenega Naswik International LLC 14420 Albemarle Point Place Suite 100 Gainesville, VA 20151	14B NCAC 16 .0108(b)	No violation.	Accepted

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10.	2025-PPS-125	Michael Allan Matthews Capitol Special Patrol 9650 Strickland Rd Ste 103-176 Raleigh, NC 27615	NCGS 74C-13	Find a violation of NCGS 74C-13. Enter into a consent agreement with Michael Matthews and Capitol Special Patrol in the amount of \$367.20 for two armed security guard registration violations. No follow-up audit is recommended.	Accepted
11.	2026-PPS-001	Robert Franklin Allen The Allen Risk Group 321 N Front St Wilmington, NC 28401	NCGS 74C-12(a)(22) NCGS 74C-12(a)(26) NCGS 74C-12(a)(31) 14B NCAC 16.1102 (c) 14B NCAC 16.1103 (b)	Find a violation of NCGS 74C-12(a)(22), NCGS 74C-12(a)(26), NCGS 74C-12(a)(31), 14B NCAC 16.1102(c), and 14B NCAC 16.1103(b). Refer this matter to the Screening Committee with a recommendation to deny Mr. Allen a license should he apply. Board staff is to conduct a review of Mr. Allen's training and supervision records maintained by Chadwick Taylor.	Accepted
12.	2026-PPS-013	Brittney Brunson Urgent Security LLC	NCGS 74C-2	Find a violation of NCGS 74C-2. Continue the cease and desist order previously issued to Brittney Brunson and Urgent Security LLC. Refer this matter to the Screening Committee should Ms. Brunson apply for a license.	Accepted
13.	2026-PPS-017	Candace Ratliff Professional Security Services P.O. Box 145 Mount Holly , NC 28120	NCGS 74C-11	Find a violation of NCGS 74C-11. Enter into a consent agreement with Candace Ratliff and Professional Security Services, in the amount of \$1,346.40 for 11 unarmed security guard registration violations. No follow-up audit is recommended.	Accepted

Board Meeting Report

Board Date: 05/21/2026

	Name Company Address	License	Committee Recommendation	Board Action
1.	JAMES ROBERT BEASLEY JR BEASLEY & ASSOCIATES 804 Cypress Creek Rd WALLACE, NC 28466	Private Investigator	Approve	Accepted
2.	AJAY BHATT ANSHI HOSPITALITY CHARLOTTE LLC 8615 HANKINS RD CHARLOTTE , NC 28269	Proprietary	Approve	Accepted
3.	jeremy Brown Billy Graham Evangelistic Association 4350 Westmont Charlotte, NC 28217	Close Personal Protection	Approve	Accepted
4.	Brittney Brunson Urgent Security LLC 72 Timberwood Lane Sanford, NC 27332	Courier Service	Approve	Accepted
5.	James Howard Burch III Envista Forensics, LLC 5565 Glenridge Connector Atlanta, GA 30342	Digital Forensics Examiner Trainee	Approve Level 2 with 1,500 hours	Accepted
6.	AUNDRA MARCEL COOK Verosec Protective Service 12721 Hopewell Ave. Huntersville, NC 28078	Security Guard And Patrol	Approve	Accepted
7.	AUNDRA MARCEL COOK Verosec Protective Service 12721 Hopewell Ave. Huntersville, NC 28078	Courier Service	Approve	Accepted
8.	Carlo Servando Cortina Jr Maximus Global Services, LLC 7791 NW 46 Street Ste 320 Miami, FL 33166	Security Guard And Patrol	Approve	Accepted
9.	Cooper Rylee Cromar CC Security LLC	Security Guard And Patrol	Approve	Accepted

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	518 North Avenue Suite C Rock Hill, SC 29732			
10.	Gregory Pernell Crofts Revelation Protection 284 Brinkley Dr Lexington, NC 27295	Close Personal Protection	Approve	Accepted
11.	Gregory Pernell Crofts Revelation Protection 284 Brinkley Dr Lexington, NC 27295	Courier Service	Approve	Accepted
12.	Felipe Cruz Jr Envista Forensics 5564 Centerview Drive Raleigh, NC 27606	Digital Forensics Examiner	Approve with Condition Felipe Cruz Jr and Envista Forensics enter into and pay a consent agreement of \$2,720.00 for 32 months of unlicensed activity.	Accepted
13.	Richard A Dietl Beau Security & Investigations Inc 489 5th Avenue, 16th Floor New York, NY 10017	Security Guard And Patrol	Approve	Accepted
14.	Cuauhtemoc Dominguez Mixtec Protection Group LLC 1014 Wyldewood Road Durham, NC 27704	Armored Car	Approve	Accepted
15.	Cuauhtemoc Dominguez Mixtec Protection Group LLC 1014 Wyldewood Road Durham, NC 27704	Close Personal Protection	Approve	Accepted
16.	Cuauhtemoc Dominguez Mixtec Protection Group LLC 1014 Wyldewood Road Durham, NC 27704	Courier Service	Approve	Accepted
17.	Israel Edwards Foresight Solutions Group Inc. 13113 BOLD RUN RD Wake Forest, NC 27587	Close Personal Protection	Approve	Accepted
18.	Christopher Patrick Eiden Christopher Patrick Eiden 261 E Wellesley Drive Clayton, NC 27520	Private Investigator	Approve	Accepted
19.	Aprilynn Flowers The North Carolina Protection Group 740 Southeast Greenville	Private Investigator Associate	Approve Level 1 with 500 hours	Accepted

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	Boulevard, Ste 400-105 Greenville, NC 27858			
20.	Melvin Gaddy NC Health Affiliates, LLC 4613 University Drive Durham , NC 27707	Proprietary	Approve	Accepted
21.	Adam B Goodman Pro Investigative Solutions 4030 Wake Forest Rd. Suite 349 Raleigh, NC 27609	Private Investigator	Approve	Accepted
22.	Les Alexander Goodwin On Point Protection Agency LLC 2840 Plaza Place Raleigh, NC 27612	Close Personal Protection	Approve	Accepted
23.	Jamal Hakem STARK Defense Group 212 Folsom Drive Holly Springs, NC 27540	Private Investigator	Approve	Accepted
24.	Edward Douglas Henry EH Investigation Services 3864 Union Ridge Rd Burlington, NC 27217	Private Investigator	Defer Defer to the July 2026 Board meeting	Accepted
25.	Leslie Howard Hudson Jr Friendly Investigations PMB 1288 5075 Morganton Road St 10C Fayetteville, NC 28314	Private Investigator	Approve with Condition Mr. Hudson provides a satisfactory credit payment plan.	Accepted
26.	Libby Rebecca Huss Epic Services & Consulting, LLC 212 W Sycamore St Lincolnton, NC 280920000	Close Personal Protection	Approve	Accepted
27.	David Lee Idol jr Ranger Protective Services llc 5121 Beulah Ln kernersville, NC 27284	Security Guard And Patrol	Defer Defer to the July 2026 Board meeting	Accepted
28.	Randal Alan Knight A Safe Knight, Inc. 209 Ether Rd Star, NC 27356	Close Personal Protection	Approve	Accepted
29.	Randal Alan Knight A Safe Knight, Inc. 209 Ether Rd Star, NC 27356	Private Investigator	Approve	Accepted

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30.	Randal Alan Knight A Safe Knight, Inc. 209 Ether Rd Star, NC 27356	Security Guard And Patrol	Approve	Accepted
31.	Stephen Richard Korfonta Greenlight Security Inc. 15000 EMERALD COAST PKWY Destin, FL 32541	Security Guard And Patrol	Approve	Accepted
32.	James Francis Lally Pinnacle Investigations 5819 Fish Rd Marshville, NY 28103	Private Investigator	Approve	Accepted
33.	Andrew Damien Maggio Dunbar Security Solutions, Inc. 201 International Circle Cockeysville, MD 21030	Security Guard And Patrol	Approve	Accepted
34.	William Henry McGregor Jr The North Carolina Protection Group 740 Greenville Blvd SE Greenville, NC 27858	Private Investigator	Approve	Accepted
35.	Charles William McKenna Red One Intelligent Investigations, LLC 135 Skidaway Lane Rocky Point, NC 28457	Private Investigator	Approve	Accepted
36.	William Daryl Metts Guardian Tactical Alliance 2009 Moonstone Ln Indian Trail, NC 28079	Close Personal Protection	Approve	Accepted
37.	Celeste Morel Alvarez Dean Investigative Services Inc. 224 Thompson Street Hendersonville, NC 28792	Private Investigator Associate	Approve Level 1 with 800 hours	Accepted
38.	David Muniz Shield Global Security Inc. 7965 State Rd 50 Groveland, FL 34736	Security Guard And Patrol	Approve	Accepted
39.	James P Nolette PHOTOFAX 44W100 US HIGHWAY 20 HAMPSHIRE, IL 60140	Private Investigator Associate	Approve Level 2 with 1,400 hours	Accepted
40.	Andrade Olliver II Andrade Olliver II	Private Investigator	Approve	Accepted

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	105 Tarpon Drive Benson , NC 27504			
41.	Tyler Paul Tyler Paul 5203 Woodpecker Dr Hope Mills, NC 28348	Close Personal Protection	Approve	Accepted
42.	David Michael Pellegrino AARDWOLF International, LLC 1135 Kildaire Farm Road Suite 200 Cary, NC 27511	Close Personal Protection	Approve	Accepted
43.	Alexandra Ann Prew Philp Bean Investigations 1790 Withers Dr Denver, NC 28037	Private Investigator Associate	Deny Demonstrated lack of financial responsibility	Accepted
44.	Mohammed Rahman Narrow Security Services 106 Langtree Village Dr Mooresville, NC 28117	Security Guard And Patrol	Approve	Accepted
45.	Kelly E Riddle Kelmar Global 23119 West IH 10 Bldg 6 San Antonio, TX 78257	Private Investigator	Approve	Accepted
46.	Christoph Reshaud Robertson Onyx Strategic Defense, LLC 438 Toms Creek Road Rocky Point, NC 28457	Close Personal Protection	Approve	Accepted
				
	Onyx Strategic Defense 438 Toms Creek Road Rocky Point, NC 28457			
48.	Christoph Reshaud Robertson Onyx Strategic Defense 438 Toms Creek Road Rocky Point, NC 28457	Security Guard And Patrol	Approve	Accepted
49.	John Dudley Robinson Jr. Atrium Health 5000-G Airport Center Pkwy Charlotte, NC 28208	Close Personal Protection	Approve	Accepted
50.	Kenneth Eric Rooks Atrium Health	Close Personal Protection	Approve	Accepted

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	5000-G Airport Center Pkw Charlotte, NC 28208			
51.	Ivan Sandoval GMI Security 2329 Joe Field Road Dallas, TX 75229	Security Guard And Patrol	Approve	Accepted
52.	Adam Baughman Scholtz White Rabbit Cyber, LLC 8819 Boylston Road Colfax, NC 27235	Digital Forensics Examiner	Approve	Accepted
53.	Corinne Rene Scott Surveillance and Security Solutions, LLC 366 Lake Royale Louisburg, NC 27549	Private Investigator Associate	Approve Level 1 with zero hours	Accepted
54.	David Ridinger Shearman Blackshore. LLC 10 Lockamy Lane Youngsville, NC 27596	Private Investigator	Approve	Accepted
55.	David Ridinger Shearman Blackshore. LLC 10 Lockamy Lane Youngsville, NC 27596	Security Guard And Patrol	Approve	Accepted
56.	James Staunton Securitas Critical Infrastructure Services, Inc. 13900 Lincoln Park Dr. , VA	Security Guard And Patrol	Approve with Condition James Staunton and Securitas Critical Infrastructure Services, Inc. enter into and pay a consent agreement of \$85.00 for one month of unlicensed activity.	Accepted
57.	Gary Lee Styers II Ash Forensics, LLC 820 Dalton Road Lewisville, NC 27023	Private Investigator	Approve	Accepted
58.	Devon Taggart C24 Protective Solutions, Inc. 2000 NW Corporate Blvd. Boca Raton, FL 33431	Security Guard And Patrol	Deny Failure to complete the application process and lack of verifiable experience.	Accepted
59.	Mamadou Tamboura Mamadou Tamboura 7125 Westworth Dr Willow Spring , NC 27592	Close Personal Protection	Approve	Accepted
60.	Jonathan Ryan Tillotson AS Surveillance, LLC/Advantage Investigations 2975 Dale Earnhardt Blvd.	Private Investigator	Approve	Accepted

	Name Company Address	License	Committee Recommendation	Board Action
	STE 201 Kannapolis, NC 28083			
61.	Anthony Eugene Trevino Knight Security Services and Training LLC 2539 Girvan Drive Fuquay Varina, NC 27526	Security Guard And Patrol	Approve	Accepted
62.	Joseph Martin Werner BMSI 428 Airport Rd. Bismarck, ND 58504	Security Guard And Patrol	Deny Failure to complete the application process and lack of verifiable experience.	Accepted
63.	John Michael White Viking Private Investigations 209 Creekstone Drive Benson, NC 27504	Private Investigator Associate	Approve Level 2 with 1,200 hours	Accepted
64.	Ryan Clark Willhite The North Carolina Protection Group 740 SE Greenville Blvd Greenville, NC 27858	Close Personal Protection	Approve	Accepted
65.	Alan Glenn Wilson Andy Frain Services, Inc. 761 Shoreline Dr. Aurora, IL 60405	Guard Dog Service	Approve	Accepted
66.	NATASHA KAYE WILSON Contego Investigations LLC 424 E CENTRAL BLVD ORLANDO, FL 23801	Private Investigator	Approve	Accepted
67.	John Constantine Xanthos SecurTec of North Carolina LLC 222 Lakeview Ave Ste800 West Palm Beach, FL 33401	Security Guard And Patrol	Approve	Accepted

PPSB Addendum Screening AFTER Report for May 21, 2026

Addendum

Name	Company Name	Address	Credential	Recommendation	Action
Shaun Marso	Porter Business Group, LLC / dba	Investigate NC 476 Shotwell Rd. Ste. 102-276 Clayton, NC 27520	QA for Two Companies	Approve	Accepted
Tracy Lee Burke	Carolina Premier Security, LLC. DBA Signal of Asheville	1922 Long Dairy Rd. Graham, NC 27253	QA for Two Companies	Approve	Accepted
Andre Lewis Sweat	P and G Security Guard, Inc	205 E Council St Salisbury, NC 28144	Unarmed Guard Registration	Approve	Accepted



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North Carolina Private Protective Services Board Training and Education Committee Agenda

May 21, 2026

The upcoming PPS Trainer courses are scheduled:

Course: Unarmed Guard Trainer and Workshop

Location: Wake Tech Public Safety Education Campus
321 Chapanoke Road, Raleigh

- July 13-17, 2026
- September 14-18, 2026
- November 16-20, 2026

Course: Firearms Trainer Recertification/Prequalification 1-day course

Location: Samarcand Training Academy, Jackson Springs

- September 23, 2026
- October 7, 2026
- October 28, 2026 (Recertification for both HG and LG trainers)

Course: New Firearms Trainer Course and Workshop (4 days)

Location: NCJA, Salemburg

- October 20-23, 2026

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Completed Training

Course: Unarmed Guard Trainer and Workshop

Location: Wake Tech Public Safety Education Campus
321 Chapanoke Road, Raleigh

- May 11-15, 2026

Course: Firearms Trainer Recertification/Prequalification 1-day course

Location: Samarcand Training Academy, Jackson Springs

- April 14, 2026
- April 15, 2026 (Prequalification only)

Course: New Firearms Trainer Course and Workshop (4 days)

Location: NCJA, Salemburg

- May 5-8, 2026

Course: Long Gun Trainer Course (3 days)

Location: NCJA, Salemburg

- April 7-9, 2026

Firearms Trainer Audit

Roger Callese

Date: Thursday, April 2, 2026

Location: 4944 Parkway Plaza Blvd., Charlotte (Walden Security)

Audit period: May 2025 – February 2026

All of Callese's firearms training records (pre/post delivery reports and targets) were accounted for. No violations observed.

Weapon Discharges

Name: Britista Mills

Company: Allied Universal Security Services

Date of Incident: April 18, 2026 @ 6:00pm

Location of Incident: Caswell Correctional Center, Yanceyville NC

Weapon Involved: M&P 9mm2.0

Registration Status when Incident Occurred: Active armed guard

On April 18, 2026, at 6:00 pm, Britista Mills was working armed security for Allied Universal Security (AUSS) at the Caswell Correctional Center in Yanceyville NC. During shift change, Mills attempted to unload her weapon at a clearing barrel and accidentally discharged it. No property damage or injuries were reported. AUSS required Mills to attend the new armed guard firearms course for remedial training as a result of this incident.

End of Report

Prepared by Karen Battle, PPSB Training Officer

NCPPSB CE Course Approval New/Renewal 5.2026

☒	REQUESTED BY	COURSE NAME / COURSE TYPE TO OBTAIN A LICENSE	Course Number	INSTRUCTOR(S)	Classroom/Online	Date Submitted	Hours
		New Application(s):					
1.	Catherine Flowers	Bulletproof Your Subcontracting (APPROVED)	PPSB-26-030	Catherine Flowers	Online/Classroom/Virtual	02/11/2026	4
2.	Nicole Thurman	Armed Security Defensive Response to Active Threats (APPROVED)	PPSB-26-031	Altonio Rivers, DeMarco Jeter, and Nicole Thurman	Classroom	04/06/2026	16
3.	Toby Grace	Ghost Tactics- Applied OSINT for Protectors (APPROVED)	PPSB-26-032	Toby Grace	Classroom	03/19/2026	8
4.	Toby Grace	Ghost Tactics- Live -USB Field Tradecraft (APPROVED)	PPSB-26-033	Toby Grace	Classroom	03/19/2026	8
5.	Toby Grace	Ghost Tactics- Mobile Anonymity and Secure Ops (APPROVED)	PPSB-26-034	Toby Grace	Classroom	03/19/2026	8
6.	Toby Grace	Ghost Tactics- Situational Awareness (APPROVED)	PPSB-26-035	Toby Grace	Classroom	03/19/2026	8
7.	Leroy Lasenburg	Use of Force During Mental Health Transport (APPROVED)	PPSB-26-036	Leroy Lasenburg	Classroom/Online	03/05/2026	2
8.	Roy Taylor	Cultivating Mental Health & Resiliency (APPROVED)	PPSB-26-037	Roy Taylor	Classroom	04/07/2026	2
9.	Roy Taylor	Recognizing and Responding to Hazardous Substance (APPROVED)	PPSB-26-038	Roy Taylor	Classroom	04/07/2026	2
10.	Roy Taylor	Leading By Example (APPROVED)	PPSB-26-039	Roy Taylor	Classroom	04/07/2026	2
		Renewal(s)					
1.	Hilary Rodela	Background Investigations Guideline and Procedures (APPROVED)	PPSB-22-065	Hilary Rodela	Online/Virtual	04/09/2026	4
2.	Hilary Rodela	GPS-Boundaries for Investigative Use (APPROVED)	PPSB-22-057	Hilary Rodela	Online/Virtual	04/09/2026	4

NCPPSB CE Course Approval New/Renewal 5.2026

☒	REQUESTED BY	COURSE NAME / COURSE TYPE TO OBTAIN A LICENSE	Course Number	INSTRUCTOR(S)	Classroom/ Online	Date Submitted	Hours
3.	Mike Harrison	Allied Universal Event Services NC CE Training (APPROVED)	PPSB-18-418	Peter Kranske, Mike Harrison	Classroom/Online	01/13/2026	12
4.	Steve Cassell	Physical Security Operations Access Control (APPROVED)	PPSB-22-045	Steve Cassell	Online	04/10/2026	2
5.	Steve Cassell	Physical Security Operations CCTV System (APPROVED)	PPSB-22-048	Steve Cassell	Online	04/10/2026	2
6.	Steve Cassell	Physical Security Operations Intro to Security (APPROVED)	PPSB-22-042	Steve Cassell	Online	04/10/2026	2
7.	Steve Cassell	Physical Security Operations Intrusion Detection (APPROVED)	PPSB-22-044	Steve Cassell	Online	04/10/2026	2
8.	Steve Cassell	Physical Security Operations Keys and Locks (APPROVED)	PPSB-22-047	Steve Cassell	Online	04/10/2026	2
9.	Steve Cassell	Physical Security Operations Perimeter Security (APPROVED)	PPSB-22-043	Steve Cassell	Online	04/10/2026	2
10.	Steve Cassell	Physical Security Operations Physical Hardware (APPROVED)	PPSB-22-050	Steve Cassell	Online	04/10/2026	6
11.	Steve Cassell	Physical Security Operations Policies and Procedures (APPROVED)	PPSB-22-051	Steve Cassell	Online	04/10/2026	6
12.	Steve Cassell	Physical Security Operations Security Design (APPROVED)	PPSB-22-049	Steve Cassell	Online	04/10/2026	2
13.	Steve Cassell	Physical Security Operations Security Lighting (APPROVED)	PPSB-22-046	Steve Cassell	Online	04/10/2026	2
15.	Steve Cassell	Counter Terrorism Advanced Financial Profiling (APPROVED)	PPSB-22-059	Steve Cassell	Online	04/09/2026	4
16.	Steve Cassell	Courtroom Testimony Preparations for Success (APPROVED)	PPSB-22-064	Steve Cassell	Online	04/09/2026	4
17.	Steve Cassell	Criminal Defense Investigations Guidelines and Expectations (APPROVED)	PPSB-22-063	Steve Cassell	Online	04/09/2026	4
18.	Steve Cassell	CyberCrime - Expert Risk Assessment (APPROVED)	PPSB-22-058	Steve Cassell	Online	04/09/2026	4
19.	Steve Cassell	Forensics the Five Disciplines of Evidence (APPROVED)	PPSB-22-066	Steve Cassell	Online	04/09/2026	6

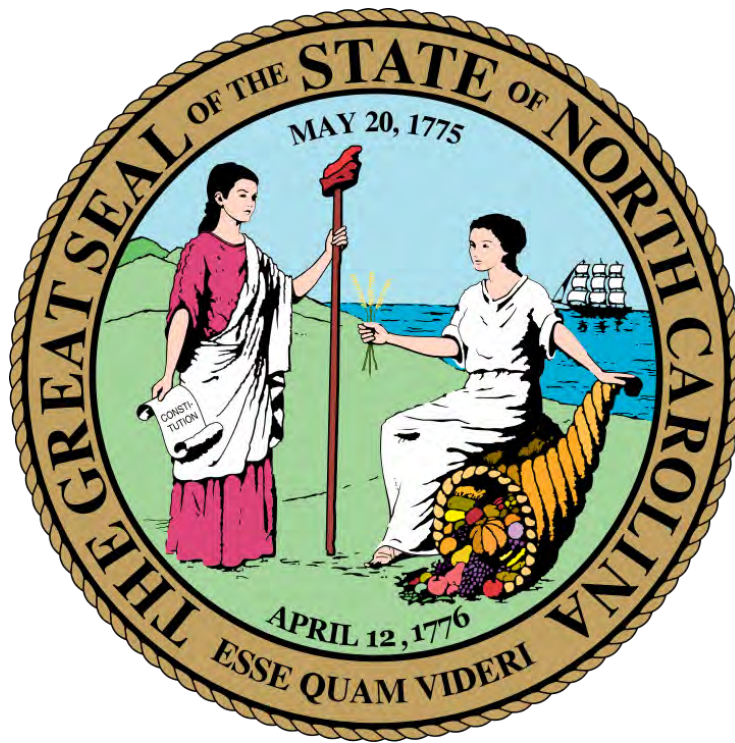
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20.	Steve Cassell	Investigator Career - Reality vs Misconceptions (APPROVED)	PPSB-22-056	Steve Cassell	Online	04/09/2026	2
21.	Steve Cassell	Mental Health - Managing the Investigator Lifestyle (APPROVED)	PPSB-22-055	Steve Cassell	Online	04/09/2026	2
22.	Steve Cassell	Use of Force for Private Investigators (APPROVED)	PPSB-22-061	Steve Cassell	Online	04/09/2026	4
23.	Steve Cassell	Use of Force for Security Officers (APPROVED)	PPSB-22-062	Steve Cassell	Online	04/09/2026	4
24.	Steve Cassell	Bomb Threat Awareness Training for Investigators (APPROVED)	PPSB-18-510	Steve Cassell	Online	04/09/2026	6
25.	Steve Cassell	Crowd Control Training for Investigators (APPROVED)	PPSB-18-508	Steve Cassell	Online	04/09/2026	6
26.	Steve Cassell	Effective Communication Training for Investigators (APPROVED)	PPSB-18-511	Steve Cassell	Online/Virtual	04/09/2026	4
27.	Steve Cassell	Field Notes Training for Investigators (APPROVED)	PPSB-18-512	Steve Cassell	Online	04/09/2026	4
28.	Steve Cassell	Improvised Explosive Device Training (APPROVED)	PPSB-18-509	Steve Cassell	Online	04/09/2026	6
29.	Bert Croom	Hostage Negotiations for Private Investigator (APPROVED)	PPSB-12-784	Bert Croom / Dennis Pridgen	Online/Classroom	04/15/2026	6
30.	Bert Croom	Suicide Prevention for Private Investigators (APPROVED)	PPSB-12-783	Bert Croom / Dennis Pridgen	Online/Classroom	04/15/2026	6
31.	Bert Croom	Death Investigations for Private Investigators (APPROVED)	PPSB-13-800	Bert Croom / Dennis Pridgen	Online/Classroom	04/15/2026	6
32.	Bert Croom	Domestic Violence Investigation for Private Investigators (APPROVED)	PPSB-13-801	Bert Croom / Dennis Pridgen	Online/Classroom	04/15/2026	6
33.	Bert Croom	Workplace Violence Investigations for Private Investigators (APPROVED)	PPSB-17-299	Bert Croom / Dennis Pridgen	Online/Classroom	04/15/2026	6
34.	Bert Croom	Terrorist Methods of Operation for Private Investigators (APPROVED)	PPSB-17-300	Bert Croom / Dennis Pridgen	Online/Classroom	04/15/2026	6

NORTH CAROLINA PRIVATE PROTECTIVE SERVICES BOARD

May 21, 2026

DIRECTOR'S REPORT



Paul Sherwin, Director

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

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PPS INFORMATION AND UPDATES

PERSONNEL

Private Protective Services is fully staffed.

OPERATIONS

Registration Unit

- Registration applications received YTD 2026: 11,078
 - o Same period 2025: 10,679
 - o Same period 2024: 9,957
 - o Same period 2023: 8,957
 - o Same period 2022: 8,043
 - o Same period 2021: 8,206
 - o Same period 2020: 8,240
 - o Same period 2019: 8,942

Licensing Unit

- License applications received YTD 2026: 492
 - o Same period 2025: 412
 - o Same period 2024: 484
 - o Same period 2023: 420
 - o Same period 2022: 484
 - o Same period 2021: 303
 - o Same period 2020: 443
 - o Same period 2019: 325

Investigations Unit

- License applicant background investigations completed YTD 2026: 220
 - o Same period 2025: 142
 - o Same period 2024: 205
 - o Same period 2023: 176
 - o Same period 2022: 111
 - o Same period 2021: 140
 - o Same period 2020: 152
 - o Same period 2019: 158
- Complaint investigations completed YTD 2026: 43
 - o Same period 2025: 36
 - o Same period 2024: 59
 - o Same period 2023: 42
 - o Same period 2022: 47

- o Same period 2021: 29
- o Same period 2020: 13
- o Same period 2019: 46

Training Unit

- Trainer applications received YTD 2026: 154
 - o Same period 2025: 157
 - o Same period 2024: 138
 - o Same period 2023: 122
 - o Same period 2022: 88
 - o Same period 2021: 128
 - o Same period 2020: 82
 - o Same period 2019: 57

OTHER

Director Sherwin on April 22 delivered a presentation about the Private Protective Services Board at the annual N.C. Association of Private Investigators conference. The presentation covered topics such as Board structure and operations, best practices in compliance, and law and rules updates.

Investigator Batton recently completed several proactive registration compliance audits. His findings are as follows:

- Central Baptist Church (Wendell, N.C.) and proprietary point of contact Christian Yun (563299-POC). The audit found the church does not currently have any armed staff. No violations discovered.
- Prosecur Services Group, Inc. and qualifying agent Daren Lopez (357766-GP). The audit examined the records of 35 security guards who worked in Q1 2025. No violations discovered.
- Chenega Global Protection, LLC and qualifying agent Edin Huskic (962149-GP). The company did not employ any security guards in Q1 2025. No violations discovered.
- QuikTrip Corporation and proprietary point of contact Charles Tennnison (469924-POC). The audit examined the records of 19 security guards who worked in Q2 2025. No violations were discovered.
- Galilee Missionary Baptist Church (Winston-Salem, N.C.) and proprietary point of contact Barry Rountree (615144-POC). The audit found the church does not currently have any armed staff. No violations discovered.
- United Services Automobile Association (USAA) and proprietary point of contact Grant Fyall (328454-POC). The audit examined the records of 11 security guards who worked in Q4 2025. No violations discovered.
- Northern Hospital of Surry County and proprietary point of contact Gregory Casstevens (70-POC). The audit examined the records of 19 security guards who worked in Q3 2025. No violations discovered.

- Duke Energy Corp and proprietary point of contact Otis Scott (153-POC). The audit examined the records of 280 security guards who worked in Q4 2025. No violations discovered.

LICENSING, REGISTRATION, AND CERTIFICATION SUMMARY

Total active in Permitium: 16,632 (-36% from March 2026 meeting)

Registration		
	Armed	2930
	Armed Armored Car	209
	Armed Licensee	55
	Armed Licensee Associate	6
	Unarmed	10014
	Unarmed Armored Car	13
Registration Total		13227
License		
	Armored Car Profession	46
	Close Personal Protection	359
	Courier Service Profession	61
	Digital Forensics Examiner	26
	Digital Forensics Examiner Trainee	1
	Electronic Counter Measures Profession	39
	Electronic Counter Measures Trainee	5
	Guard Dog Service Profession	12
	Polygraph Examiner	28
	Polygraph Trainee Permit	0
	Private Investigator	1379
	Private Investigator Associate	207
	Proprietary	82
	Psychological Stress Evaluator	6
	Security Guard and Patrol	523
	Special Limited Guard and Patrol	1
License Total		2775
Certification		
	Firearms Trainer	249
	Unarmed Guard Trainer	381
Certification Total		630

Private Protective Services Board Financial Report
Fiscal Year 2025-2026
July 1, 2025 – March 30, 2026

PPSB Operating Fund Revenue and Expenditures

FYTD26 revenue	\$ 1,504,088.41
FYTD26 expenditures	\$ (1,379,427.92)
FYTD26 FUND BALANCE INCREASE/(DECREASE)	\$ 124,660.49

PPSB Operating Fund Cash Flow

Beginning Cash Balance (July 1, 2025)	\$ 2,001,674.05
FYTD26 revenue	\$ 1,504,088.41
FYTD26 expenditures	\$ (1,379,427.92)
FYTD26 ENDING FUND BALANCE	\$ 2,126,334.54
Months of Average Operating Expenses in Reserve	13.1

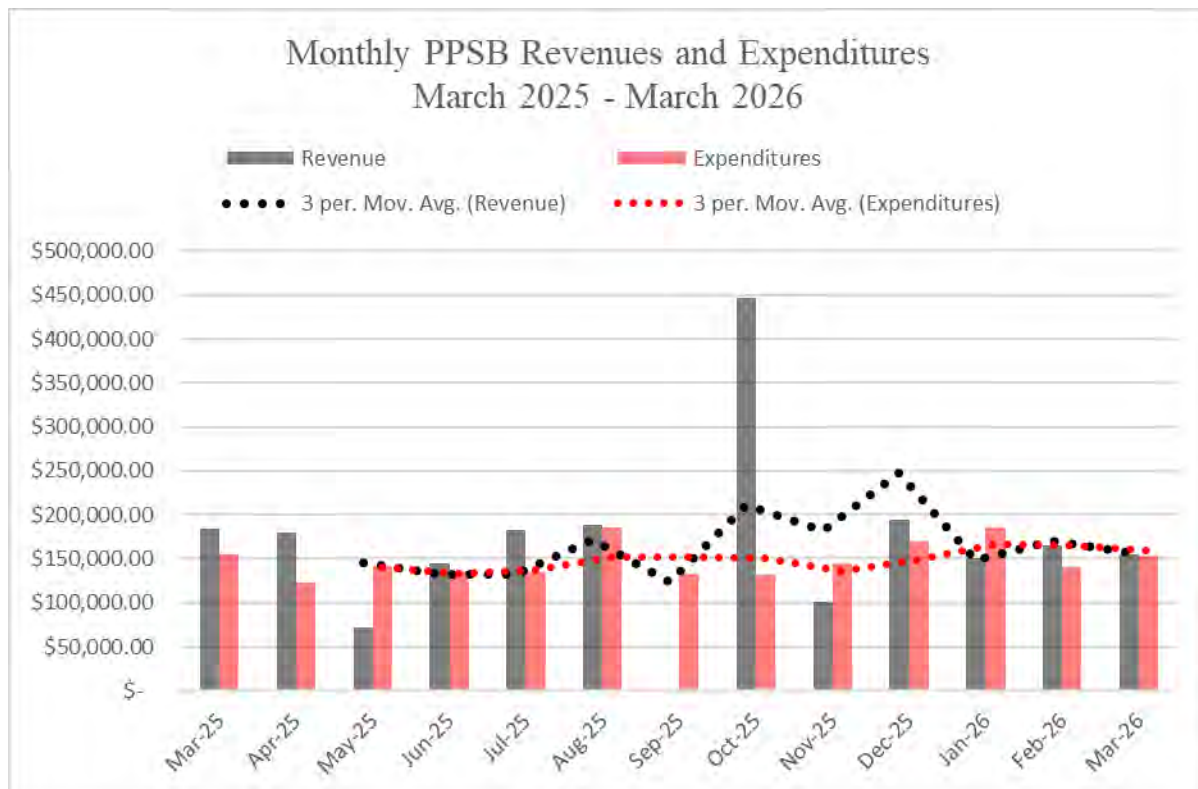
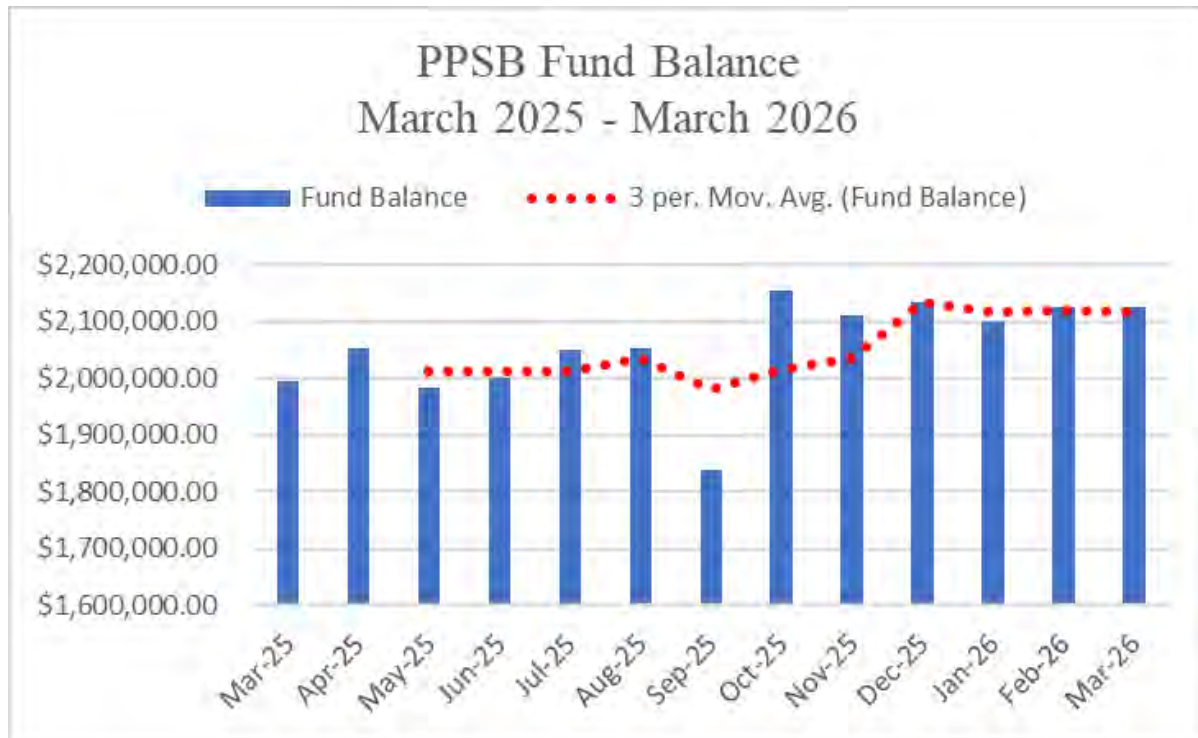
PPSB Education Fund Revenue and Expenditures

FYTD26 revenue	\$ 11,600.00
FYTD26 expenditures	\$ -
FYTD26 EDUCATION FUND BALANCE INCREASE/(DECREASE)	\$ 11,600.00

PPSB Education Fund Cash Flow

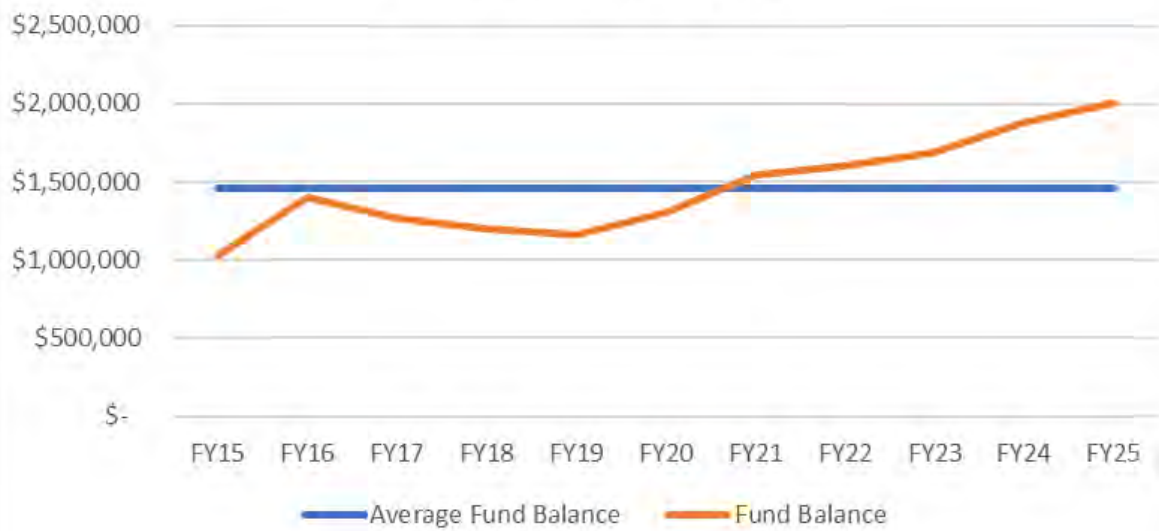
Beginning Cash Balance (July 1, 2025)	\$ 139,260.38
FYTD26 revenue	\$ 11,600.00
FYTD26 expenditures	\$ -
FYTD26 ENDING FUND BALANCE	\$ 150,860.38

BUDGET GRAPHICS



*September 2025 revenue of ~\$217,546.45 was credited to October 2025. Revenue in October 2025 was ~\$193,509.00.

Historical PPSB Fund Balance Fiscal Years 2015-2025





North Carolina Department of Public Safety

Private Protective Services Board

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Paul Sherwin, Director

May 7, 2026

MEMORANDUM

To: Members, Law and Rules Committee

From: Director Paul Sherwin

Re: Background checks for unarmed guard transfers

During the Committee's March 2026 meeting, I was asked to research the feasibility of implementing a background check requirement for unarmed security guard transfers. Currently, the Board does not require a background check for security guards who apply to transfer their active unarmed security guard registration to another company. A background check is required of armed guards who transfer between companies.

Law & Rules Considerations

The transfer of an unarmed security guard registration is referenced twice in N.C. Gen. Stat. Chapter 74C:

§ 74C-11. Probationary employees and registration of regular employees

...

(d) ... If an unarmed registered guard is terminated by a security guard and patrol company or armored car company and changes employment to another security guard and patrol company or armored car company, the guard's registration card shall remain valid, provided the guard pays the unarmed guard registration transfer fee to the Board and a new unarmed guard registration card is issued. An unarmed guard whose transfer registration application and transfer fee have been sent to the Board may work with a copy of the transfer application until the registration card is issued.

§ 74C-9. Form of license; term; renewal; posting; branch offices; not assignable; late renewal fee.

...

(e)(12) An unarmed registration transfer fee not to exceed fifteen dollars (\$15.00).

The transfer of an unarmed security guard registration is referenced twice in the Board's rules:

14B NCAC 16 .0702 FEES FOR UNARMED SECURITY GUARD REGISTRATION

...

(a)(3) fifteen dollar (\$15.00) transfer fee;

14B NCAC 16 .0705 UNARMED SECURITY GUARD REGISTRATION IDENTIFICATION CARDS

...

(d) The guard transfer online form and fee shall be submitted to the Board by the employer within 10 days of the beginning of employment.

The Board does not have a rule that lists the application requirements for an unarmed security guard transfer; therefore, there is no apparent place to add a background check requirement. The creation of a new rule may be required.

Impact Considerations

The Board in 2025 received 1,932 unarmed registration transfer applications, which represents just 6% of the nearly 33,000 total registration applications received that year.

Since the Board does not currently require a background check to accompany an unarmed security guard registration transfer application, it's impossible to know how many applicants may have had potentially disqualifying criminal history at the time of application. However, examining the number of unarmed security guard renewal applications that were denied for criminal history in 2025 may provide an estimate. Accordingly, the Board received approximately 12,500 unarmed security guard registration renewal applications in 2025. Only 39 (0.3%) were denied for new criminal history that occurred within the previous 12 months. For comparison, approximately 20% of new unarmed security guard registration applications are denied for criminal history.

Cost Considerations

The unarmed security guard registration transfer application would need to be modified by Permitium officials to allow for the secure import of an online criminal history record check. It is unlikely Permitium would charge the Board a fee for this enhancement; however, such upgrades often take six months or more to implement.

The transfer application currently contains minimal information and requires little Board staff time to review before approval or denial. The time to process each transfer application is likely to increase dramatically if a criminal history review is required.

Security guard and patrol companies currently pay \$20.96 (\$15 transfer fee, \$5 Permitium transaction fee, \$0.96 credit card processing fee) per transfer application. The addition of a criminal history record check, one that covers N.C. criminal records only, for example, will add an additional \$12.00 cost to each transfer application.



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May 7, 2026

MEMORANDUM

To: Members, Law and Rules Committee

From: Director Paul Sherwin

Re: Secure registration ID card research findings

During the Committee's March 2026 meeting, I was asked to research the feasibility of upgrading the Board's current registrant ID card to a card with forgery-resistant security features, such as a hologram. The following details my findings.

In 2025, Board staff printed 29,224 ID cards for the Private Protective Services Board. It costs \$0.60 in materials to print each card, or about \$17,534 per year, using the existing printer and standard ID cards. The cost of a forgery-resistant card is estimated to be \$73.90 per card, or \$2.1 million per year.

Current Card Printer

Cost: \$1,652.88

Cards per hour: 280

Forgery-Resistant Card Printer

Cost: \$9,036.94

Cards per hour: 180

Current Card Security Features

Cost: \$0 (no features)

Forgery-Resistant Card Security Features

Cost: \$10,995.00 (one-time hologram design fee)

Cost: \$21,958.00 (secure laminate for 300 cards)

Cost: \$109.00 (protective laminate for 350 cards)

MAILING ADDRESS:
3101 Industrial Drive, Suite 104
Raleigh, NC 27609



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SALES QUOTE

Sales Quote No: 5598

Date: 4/22/26

Account No: 1575

Bill To: NC Dept of Public Safety
Attn: NCDPS Accounts Payable
MSC 4220
2020 Yonkers Road
Raleigh, NC 27604

Ship To: NC Dept of Public Safety
Attn: Gary Bullard
3101 Industrial Drive
Suite 104
Raleigh, NC 27609
USA

Sales Person	P.O. Number	Ship Method	Payment Terms	Quote Expires On
Billy Rubino	Quote	GROUND	Net 30	5/22/26

Notes

Card Security Holographic is specific to YOUR organization only.

Item No	Description	Quantity	UM	Price	Disc	Amount
BIM029002	BadgePass Halo Badge Printer (Dual Sided)	1.00	EA	\$2,553.36	0.00	\$2,553.36
BIM029004	BadgePass Halo Lamination Module (Dual Sided)	1.00	EA	\$3,418.58	0.00	\$3,418.58
BIM029014	BadgePass Halo Smart Card Upgrade Omnikey	1.00	EA	\$832.00	0.00	\$832.00
BIM011001	Badgepass Identity Manager Software	1.00	EA	\$1,793.00	0.00	\$1,793.00
BIM012001	Badgepass Identity Manager SMA 1 Year (Annual - 1st Year Required)	1.00	EA	\$440.00	0.00	\$440.00
BIM029080	BadgePass Halo YMCKT Print Ribbon (Yield 500)	1.00	EA	\$200.00	0.00	\$200.00
BIM029070	BadgePass Halo .5 Mil Laminate (Full Card / 350 Prints)	1.00	EA	\$109.00	0.00	\$109.00
BIM026801	BadgePass Halo Cleaning Cards (10 Pack)	1.00	EA	\$8.00	0.00	\$8.00
BIM029031	BadgePass Halo Cleaning Rollers (5 Pack)	1.00	EA	\$17.00	0.00	\$17.00
misc1	721996 Registration Origination Fee for Duragard Optigram (One Time Fee)	1.00	EA	\$10,995.00	0.00	\$10,995.00
Note:	Includes a combination (customers choice) or all of the following overt, covert and forensic security features: 2D and 2D/3D holographic OVD security designs Guilloche security printing of fine line designs elements Kinetic and/or Animation motion effects	1.00	EA	\$0.00	0.00	\$0.00
Note:	Micro Text - Multiple size text available 2-Channel / Flip Image Pseudo color Nano Text Stereogram Matte White Text UV Ink	1.00	EA	\$0.00	0.00	\$0.00
misc1	508913-xxx Custom DuraGard® Optigram® UV Protective Laminate, 1.0 mil, registered, full card. 300 yield (Minimum order of 100 Rolls)	100.00	EA	\$219.58	0.00	\$21,958.00
Install	Installation and Training - Remote (Printer and Laminator - Onsite \$975)	1.00	EA	\$875.00	0.00	\$875.00
SMA-Printer	Service Contract for Printer 1 Year (Annual)	1.00	EA	\$525.00	0.00	\$525.00
SMA-Laminator	Service Contract for Laminator 1 Year (Annual)	1.00	EA	\$525.00	0.00	\$525.00

*There is a 3% fee for all Credit Card Purchases

*Applicable freight charged upon shipping

For ACH Payment:

First Citizen Bank

ABA Routing Number: 053100300

Account Number: 002372794437

Subtotal	\$44,248.94
Discount	\$0.00
Freight	\$0.00
Sales Tax	\$0.00
Sales Order Total	\$44,248.94

151 Technology Drive Garner, NC 27529 855-347-9494

PRIVATE PROTECTIVE SERVICES BOARD

Raleigh, North Carolina

May 21, 2026

ATTORNEY'S REPORT



PRIVATE PROTECTIVE SERVICES BOARD

Raleigh, North Carolina

May 21, 2026

I. CONSENT AGREEMENT, SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS & CIVIL PENALTIES

1. On January 15, 2026, Harold Crisp/Signal of Asheville, entered into a Consent Agreement with the Board in the amount of \$6,460.00 for 19 unarmed security guard registration violations. The Consent Agreement was signed by QA Harold Crisp on January 28, 2026. To be paid in three (3) monthly installments. Paid In Full.
2. On January 15, 2026, Joseph LaSorsa/LaSorsa & Associates, was assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000.00 for failure to submit continuing education rosters. Payment has not been received.
3. On March 19, 2026, Bradley Agnew/Defender Services, Inc, entered into a Consent Agreement with the Board in the amount of \$7,448.00 for 20 unarmed security guard registration violations. The Consent Agreement was signed by QA Bradley Agnew on March 26, 2026. Paid In Full.
4. On March 19, 2026, Jermarion Pegues/Blindside Protection Agency LLC., entered into a Consent Agreement with the Board in the amount of \$5,385.60 for 44 unarmed security guard registration violations. The Consent Agreement was signed by QA Jermarion Pegues on April 15, 2026. To be paid in three (3) monthly installments. Payment has not been received.
5. On March 19, 2026, Gabriel McCuller/Sua Sponte Security LLC, entered into a Consent Agreement with the Board in the amount of \$1,361.24 for 13 unarmed security guard registration violations and six-armed security guard registration violations. The Consent Agreement was signed by QA Gabriel McCuller on March 26, 2026. Paid In Full.
6. On March 19, 2026, Scott Siano/Allied Universal Security Services, entered into a Consent Agreement with the Board in the amount of \$1,612.00 for five (5) unarmed security guard registration violations. The Consent Agreement was signed by QA Scott Siano on March 26, 2026. Paid In Full.
7. On March 19, 2026, Steve Allan Gibson/Veterans Security Services, LLC, entered into a Consent Agreement with the Board in the amount of \$122.40 for one (1) unarmed security guard registration violation. The Consent Agreement was signed by QA Steve Allan Gibson on March 26, 2026. Paid In Full.

II. OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

See, Hearings List (Attachment 1).

III. ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Passage of Senate Bill 710 (S.L. 2025-51) necessitated the amendment of numerous administrative rules. Additionally, the Law & Rules Committee and the Board had proposed other rule amendments which I had been holding pending passage of Senate Bill 710. Further -- at the time -- I thought the Board needed to obtain approval of the four rules that had been rejected by the Rules Review Commission in June and August.

The Board approved these rules as amended at its September Board meeting.

The Notice of Text was filed September 24, 2025. The Public Hearing was held Tuesday, November 4th at the Board's office, and the Public Comment Period expired December 12, 2025. Written Public Comment was received from two licensees, both of whom contended the Board lacked the statutory authority to consider expunged criminal charges and convictions. (Session Law 2025-51 gave the Board the authority.) The Board voted to approve these rule amendments at its January 15th meeting.

The Submission for Permanent Rule forms were filed on January 29th. I received a number of questions and a few Requests for Changes, to which I responded. These rule amendments were scheduled to be considered by the Rule Review Commission at its March 26th meeting. Three days before the meeting, I received an objection to the rules allowing the Board to assess and consider criminal convictions that have been expunged due to a lack of statutory authority. Although Senate Bill 710 (S.L. 2025-51) had made the change in two places in the General Statutes, it had not in a third. I requested that the period of review be extended to remove the language from eleven rules (.0203, .0205, .0703, .0706, .0806, .0902, .0904, .0910, .0911, .1306, & .1406) and these eleven rules were approved at the Commission's meeting on April 28th.

IV. LITIGATION

a. At its September 2025 meeting, the Board instructed me to seek an injunction against Kejuan Shackleford d/b/a/ Big Dawg Security for unlicensed security guard and patrol activity. Mr. Shackleford had hired both armed and unarmed security in Wayne County and surrounding areas.

A Complaint for Injunctive Relief was filed on October 3, 2025, but service was unsuccessful, including an attempt while he was in jail in Lenoir County. An Alias & Pluries Summons was obtained and sent to the Wayne County Sheriff's Office on December 19th for service at the address on the Lenoir County arrest warrant but was returned unserved by Wayne County. Training Officer/Investigator Karen Battle served the Defendant at his court appearance in Lenoir County on January 16th. He failed to answer or otherwise plead and I filed a Motion for Default Judgment on February 20th. Entry of Default was obtained on March 6th. I am awaiting the signed Default Judgment.

b. Also at its September 2025 meeting, the Board instructed me to seek an injunction against the Oak View Group, LLC, for unlicensed security guard and patrol activity. Oak View is a full-service management company for sports and entertainment venues and the violations occurred as a result of transferring local government employees of a proprietary security entity to Oak View when it took over management of all the venues owned by the City of Greensboro. It was given ample time to comply but failed to do so.

A Complaint for Injunctive Relief was filed on October 17, 2025, and served October 24th. An Answer (or other pleading) was due November 24, 2025; however, the Defendant received an extension of time until December 23, 2025, then a second extension until January 22, 2026.

Oakview was granted a license at the Board's January 15, 2026 meeting and I was instructed to dismiss the action. A Notice of Voluntary Dismissal without Prejudice was filed on January 23rd.

c. At its November 2025 meeting, the Board instructed me to seek an injunction against Clifton Tinnen, Catherine G. Malinowski, and United Risk & Safety Consulting Group for unlicensed security guard and patrol activity.

In February 2019, Mr. Tinnen entered into a Consent Agreement as owner and QA of a different company, Integrity Protection Services, in the amount of \$19,461.60. He failed to sign or pay, and the license was revoked in June 2019. He ultimately signed the Consent Agreement and the Grievance Committee agreed to accept it late and reinstate his license. He never paid.

It was discovered last year that he was contracting with apartment complexes for security guard and patrol services in the name of a new entity.

A Complaint for Injunctive Relief was filed on December 9, 2025, and service was achieved on Defendant Malinowski and Defendant United Risk & Safety Consulting Group by the Orange County Sheriff's Office. Although I was contacted by an attorney who claimed to represent all three Defendants, neither Defendant Malinowski nor Defendant United Risk & Safety Consulting Group answered or otherwise pled. Both have been defaulted and Entry of Default was obtained on February 25, 2026. I am awaiting the signed Default Judgment.

Defendant Tinnen avoided service by Sheriff's Offices in two counties, and by three attempts by a private process server until he was finally served on March 9, 2026. He failed to answer or otherwise plead. Entry of Default was made on April 21, 2026, and I filed a Motion for Default Judgment on May 1, 2026. If Tinnen fails to respond, Default Judgment can be obtained on or after 30 days.

d. At its January 2026 meeting, the Board instructed me to seek an injunction against Zozer El and Nova Nine Protection, LLC for unlicensed security guard and patrol activity. Mr. El had been contracting unarmed guards to a manufacturing company in Catawba County.

The Civil Summons and Complaint for Injunctive Relief was filed on January 30, 2026, and mailed via certified mail to the Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office on February 3rd. I tracked it online through USPS Tracking and for over a month it was "moving within the USPS network..." then was ultimately returned. I then located a possible alternate address for Mr. El and attempted service by Sheriff. The Civil Summons and Complaint was returned "unable to serve; business closed." Possible additional addresses were found, and an Alias & Pluries Summons was obtained. The Complaint was again sent to the Sheriff of Mecklenburg County for service and it too was returned "unable to serve."

V. LEGISLATION

a. Senate Bill 451, Occupational Professional Licensing Relief, would require 26 enumerated boards to cut their required continuing education hours in half (i.e. “by fifty percent (50%)”) or double the amount of time the licensee has to comply (i.e. if 12 months, then 24).

For seven enumerated boards whose requirements are set forth in their administrative rules, the board is required to amend its administrative rule(s). For 16 other boards—including the Alarm Systems Licensing Board--the bill actually amends the board’s statute (here, G.S. 74D-4(e1); *see*, Attachment 4) and instructs the board to adopt rules to implement the change. In the case of the Board, it would mean amending (or re-writing) I4B NCAC 17. 0502.

Referred to the Senate Committee on Regulatory Reform April 7, 2025, and was debated, in committee without a vote, on April 16th. (Interestingly, the identical language of the bill briefly appeared in another bill, HB 763, above, by way of committee substitute but was subsequently removed.)

b. House Bill 949, School Protection Act, would allow a person hired as an armed security guard to possess a firearm on nonpublic educational property so long as the armed security guard is also a sworn law enforcement officer. Currently, a civilian licensed by the North Carolina Private Protective Services Board as an armed security guard may not possess a firearm on either public or nonpublic educational property (unless employed as a security guard for a hospital or health care facility located on educational property).

This bill was first referred to the House Education, K-12 Committee, then re-referred to the House Judiciary 2 Committee on April 17, 2025.

c. Senate Bill 280, Private School Security Act, would allow **employees or volunteers** of private schools to carry firearms or stun guns on educational property owned, used, or operated by the private school if: (1) the employee or volunteer has written authorization from the school board of trustees or school director to possess and carry the firearm or stun gun; (2) the employee or volunteer has a valid concealed handgun permit; (3) the employee or volunteer completes a minimum of eight hours of specific training in addition to the safety course required for the concealed handgun permit; and (4) the private school adopts and maintains minimum written standard operating procedures regarding possession and carrying of firearms and stun guns.

The bill would also allow a person in a place of religious worship that is located on educational property owned, used, or operated by the membership of the place of religious worship to possess weapons while attending worship services, as detailed in the bill.

Currently, the law allows a person to carry a handgun on private elementary, middle, or high school educational property that is also a location of religious worship if the handgun is only possessed and carried outside of school operating hours and a conspicuous notice has not been posted prohibiting the carrying of weapons.

This bill passed the Senate on May 8, 2025, and was referred to the House Committee on Rules.

d. Senate Bill 50, Freedom to Carry NC, would allow any person who is a citizen

and 18 years of age or older to carry a concealed handgun in the State without a concealed handgun permit unless they are disqualified under various terms detailed in the bill, which are generally the same disqualifiers to obtaining a concealed handgun permit (e.g. being a fugitive from justice, a convicted felon, an unlawful user of an illegal controlled substance, etc.).

It passed the General Assembly on June 12th but was vetoed by the Governor. A veto override passed in the Senate on July 29, 2025, and after having been placed on the House calendar for an override vote eight times since July 29th, it is now on the House calendar for April 2, 2026 (i.e. today.)

e. Senate Bill 355, Support Department of Adult Correction, Section 2.2(a), would extend the sunset date for use of contract security guards at State prisons to June 30, 2027.

This bill passed the Senate on May 5, 2025, and was first re-referred to the House Committee on Pensions & Retirement, then Judiciary 2 on May 13, 2026.

f. House Bill 763, Neighbor State License Recognition Act (S.L. 2025-61). This bill requires all licensing boards, **except** 11 categories of licensees or individual licensees, of which private protective services licensees are not included, to recognize a license issued by a similar licensing agency in any state contiguous to North Carolina—plus West Virginia—if the licensee **establishes residency** in North Carolina, subject to certain conditions such as licensure greater than one year and good standing.

An additional condition is that the licensee “demonstrates competency in the profession through methods determined by the board.”

It was effective October 1, 2025.

After discussion, Director Sherwin and I are of the opinion that no additional administrative rules, or amendment to existing rules, are necessary.

g. House Bill 1033, Dental Board Reform, introduced on April 23, 2026, is a wide-ranging bill in which the majority of its contents were a House Bill, that failed to pass, introduced in 2017 to address a United States Supreme Court case, *Federal Trade Commission v. North Carolina Dental Board* from 2015. Although there are numerous provisions regarding complaints, unlicensed activity, written notification to be included in what the Board calls a “cease & desist” letter, injunctive actions, and venue for injunctive actions, many of these items were included in the Board’s bill (S.B. 710; S.L. 2025-51) effective October 1, 2025. However, I will still be tracking it.

This bill passed the House Committee on Judiciary 2 on May 12, 2026 and was re-referred to the House Committee on Health.

VI. FINAL AGENCY DECISIONS

None.

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MASTER HEARINGS LIST
as of May 12, 2026

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OAH HEARING DATE	PETITIONER	TYPE OF APPLICATION	FAD STATUS OR HEARING DATE
August 26, 2025	Hector Alexander Falu; and The Falu Corp. 25 DOJ 02815	Revocation of Security Guard and Patrol License	Final Agency Decision served January 22, 2026.
October 29, 2025	Natasha Williams (I) 25 DOJ 02576	Appeal of Consent Agreement	Order of Dismissal filed October 30, 2025.
December 16, 2025	Thomas M. Colhart V 25 DOJ 03750	Denial of Private Investigator License	July 23, 2026.
December 16, 2025	Noah Adam Goldman 25 DOJ 03969	Summary Suspension of Armed Guard Registration	Order Upholding Summary Suspension filed December 30, 2025.
March 24, 2026	Joseph M. LaSorsa; and LaSorsa & Associates	Letter of Reprimand & Assessment of Civil Penalty	Proposed Proposal for Decision filed April 13, 2026.
April 21, 2026	Tony Reno Chambers, Jr. 25 DOJ 04482	Denial of Security Guard and Patrol License	Proposed Proposal for Decision filed May 12, 2026.
May 26, 2026	George Thomas Porter 26 DOJ 01551	Denial of Security Guard and Patrol License	
Week of June 1, 2026	Natasha Williams (II) 26 DOJ 00365	30-day Suspension of Security Guard and Patrol License	
June 23, 2026	Carl Dangerfield 25 DOJ 03965	Appeal of One-year Suspension of Private Investigator License	