



Cadastral Surveyors Licensing Board
of New Zealand

18 February 2021

Mr A Haanen
Surveyor-General
Land Information New Zealand
WELLINGTON

email to: ahaanen@linz.govt.nz

Dear Anselm

Forgery Allegation

The Board has recently been advised of an "apparent" signature forgery by candidate Gerald Pike when completing his practical experience form for the professional examinations with Survey and Spatial NZ in 2020.

On 12 Feb 2021 the Board noted that under s31 of the Cadastral Survey Act 2002 such a matter is a criminal offence. As Land Information NZ administers the Act the Board is advising you about this allegation for further investigation.

At this stage the Boards jurisdiction is limited to reviewing the outcome of an investigation as to what disciplinary action, if any, it may take.

Yours faithfully

[s 9(2)(a)]

Secretary

Phil Napper

From: Philip Napper <secretary@cslb.org.nz>
Sent: Friday, 19 February 2021 11:02 PM
To: Anselm Haanen
Cc: Vicki Nalder
Subject: Forgery - CONFIDENTIAL
Attachments: Email - [s 9(2)(a)] pdf; 117158954_3668677943161463_968001919215245531_n.png; Email thread S+S NZ.pdf; Forgery.pdf

Hi Anselm

Following on from the recent Board meeting I attach a letter from the Board to yourself concerning a purported forgery.

I also attach the following -

- the initial email thread between myself and [s 9(2)(a)] when he first raised the issue with me as Secretary;
- the form 5 containing the alleged forged signatures received from S+S NZ;
- the email thread sent from Jo Johnston (Chair S+S NZ Examinations) to Vicki (Chair CSLB) and myself, following her verbal discussion with Vicki - who raised the matter with her. This thread begins with my email brief to the Board on 8th February, prior to the CSLB meeting on 12th February.

I declare a conflict of interest in my capacity as a QA reviewer of [s 9(2)(a)] datasets.

Regards
Phil

Phil Napper
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CADASTRAL SURVEYING PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE

I, [s 9(2)(a)] Licensed
Cadastral Surveyor * or

Chartered Professional Engineer *

hereby certify as follows:

(1) That [s 9(2)(a)] has been
professionally and continuously employed by me in the practice of land surveying from
January 2019 to August 2020 that is to say, for a period of
one years seven months.

(2) During this period a total of 10.4 month's practical experience in land title
surveying was obtained. *

(3) During this period a total of 3.6 month's practical experience in civil
engineering (including 1 months experience in contract
observation/inspection) was obtained. *

(4) That I have personally reviewed the projects of the above candidate prior to their
submission to the Admissions Panel.

Dated at 12pm this 7th day of August 2020

[s 9(2)(a)]
.....
Licensed Cadastral Surveyor * or
Chartered Professional Engineer *

I certify that in my opinion
[s 9(2)(a)]
is fully competent to execute surveys.

Dated at 12pm this 7th day of August 2020
[s 9(2)(a)]

Phil Napper

From: Phil Napper [s 9(2)(a)]
Sent: Monday, 8 February 2021 4:22 PM
To: 'Anselm Haanen'; 'Neale Faulkner'; [s 9(2)(a)]; 'Craig McInnes'; 'Nick Davies'
Cc: 'Vicki Nalder'; 'Robert Buchanan'
Subject: FW: [s 9(2)(a)] - [s 9(2)(a)] form
Attachments: 117158954_3668677943161463_968001919215245531_n.png; Email - [s 9(2)(a)].pdf

Hi all

I previously referred to this 'complaint issue' in my report under Item 6(iv). This is the email thread – FYI before Vicki updates the meeting about the S+S agreement.

Attached is the initial email from [s 9(2)(a)] to me as Secretary.

I have a conflict of interest as I carry out QA of [s 9(2)(a)] datasets.

[s 9(2)(a)] has requested confidentiality due to his relationship with [s 9(2)]. He is aware it will be raised with the Board.

Regards
Phil

From: S+SNZ Examinations Chair [mailto:examinationschair@surveyspatialnz.org]
Sent: Wednesday, 3 February 2021 12:18 PM
To: Vicki Nalder [s 9(2)(a)]
Cc: Philip Napper <secretary@cslb.org.nz>
Subject: [s 9(2)(a)] form

Hi Vicki

Here is the email thread.

My online spreadsheet shows that his form was sighted by the Examiners and therefore he was accepted for an interview. If there was no form from him, he would have been asked for one. So, I don't think S+SNZ correctly removed the form as stated. It is possible he submitted one form with each project and S+SNZ only removed one form from one of the projects.

I can see I was first copied into the emails on 19 August 2020 (pre-exams) but that was an administrative issue for S+SNZ to request a new form from the candidate (which they didn't). So, by the time it appeared in front of the examiners it was taken at face value.

Regards

Jo

From: Jenny Houdalakis [s 9(2)(a)]
Sent: Wednesday, December 2, 2020 11:55 AM
To: S+SNZ Examinations Chair <examinationschair@surveyspatialnz.org>

Cc: Jan Lawrence [s 9(2)(a)]

Subject: RE: July 2020 Newslink

Hi Jo

Gerald did not submit an updated form to us, so there was no form sent to the examiners. The projects were returned to the candidates as requested.



Jenny Houdalakis
Events Manager

[s 9(2)(a)]



From: S+SNZ Examinations Chair <examinationschair@surveyspatialnz.org>

Sent: Wednesday, 2 December 2020 11:49 AM

To: Jenny Houdalakis [s 9(2)(a)]

Cc: Jan Lawrence [s 9(2)(a)]

Subject: Re: July 2020 Newslink

Thanks

Can you please provide me with [s 9(2)] updated form that was sent to the examiners? Who ended up signing the form for [s 9(2)]

We no longer have the projects as they were returned to the candidates.

Jo

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From: Jenny Houdalakis [s 9(2)(a)]

Sent: Wednesday, December 2, 2020 11:39

To: S+SNZ Examinations Chair

Cc: Jan Lawrence

Subject: FW: July 2020 Newslink

Hi Jo

Please see below email trail between S+SNZ National office and Allen Juffermans regarding Gerald Pike's projects.

Kind regards



Jenny Houdalakis
Events Manager

[s 9(2)(a)]

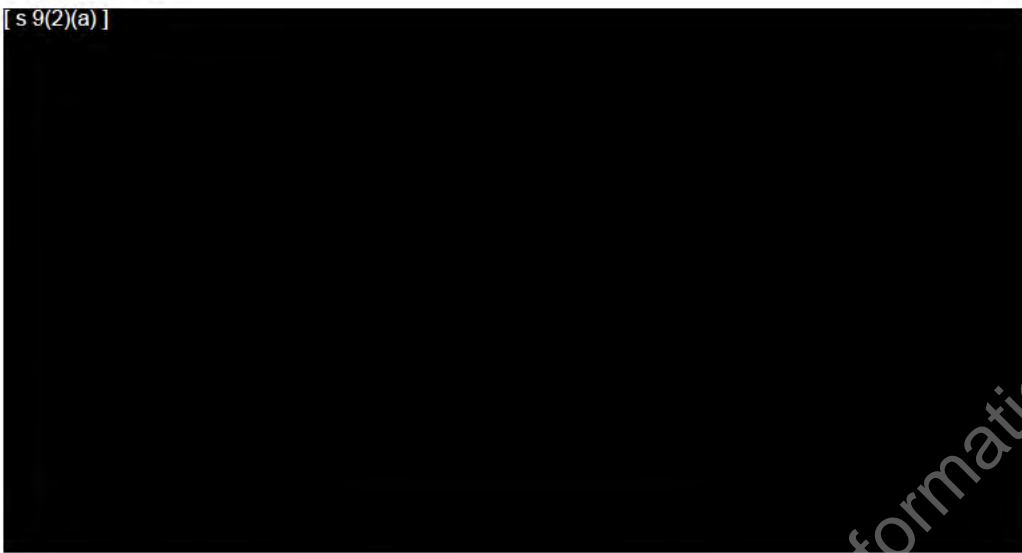


From: [s 9(2)(a)]
Sent: Wednesday, 19 August 2020 9:45 AM
To: Jenny Houdalakis [s 9(2)(a)]
Cc: S+SNZ Examinations Chair <examinationschair@surveyspatialnz.org>; Stephen Lumb [s 9(2)(a)]
Subject: RE: July 2020 Newslink

Thanks Jenny.

Regards,

[s 9(2)(a)]



From: Jenny Houdalakis [s 9(2)(a)]
Sent: Wednesday, 19 August 2020 9:34 am
To: [s 9(2)(a)]
Cc: S+SNZ Examinations Chair <examinationschair@surveyspatialnz.org>
Subject: Re: July 2020 Newslink

Hi [s]

Thanks for your email below. I have now checked through [s 9(2)(a)] projects and note that your attached document was included in his submission so I have removed this as requested.

Kind regards

Jenny Houdalakis
Events Co-ordinator

From: [s 9(2)(a)]
Sent: Friday, 14 August 2020 4:46 PM
To: S+SNZ Admin <admin@surveyspatialnz.org>
Subject: RE: July 2020 Newslink

Hi Ashley.

I had a candidate send me the attached, however I haven't read the assignments as yet (he didn't show them before he sent the certificate and said he wanted to include it)

I'm just ensuring he hasn't included it in a submission as yet. If so, can you please remove the certificate.

Thanks

[s 9(2)]

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Phil Napper


From: [s 9(2)(a)]
Sent: Thursday, 21 January 2021 3:47 PM
To: Philip Napper
Subject: RE: [s 9(2)(a)]

Thanks you.

Please leave my name off any official reporting. This is a small town, and my relationship with [s] needs to remain in good terms.

Regards,

[s 9(2)(a)]



From: Philip Napper <secretary@cslb.org.nz>
Sent: Thursday, 21 January 2021 3:32 pm
To: [s 9(2)(a)]
Subject: Re: [s 9(2)(a)]

Thanks for your email [s]

I have passed it on to the Chair of the Board to follow up (with S+S NZ initially).

It is likely to be discussed at the next Board meeting on 12th February, for a decision on what appropriate action to be taken.

I have declared a conflict of interest because of the QA work for you - however, if you have any further information please feel free to contact me at this email and I will pass it on before the meeting

Regards

Phil

Phil Napper

**Secretary,
Cadastral Surveyors Licensing Board of NZ**

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On Thu, Jan 21, 2021 at 1:19 PM [s 9(2)(a)] wrote:

Hi Phil.

The board recently Licensed [s] after the NZIS gave him a certificate of competency.

I was his supervising LCS, however I did not read his projects nor endorse him as required to pass the professional interviews.

I found out he'd forged my signature on the form, so contacted the NZIS panel and asked them to remove the form – which apparently was done.

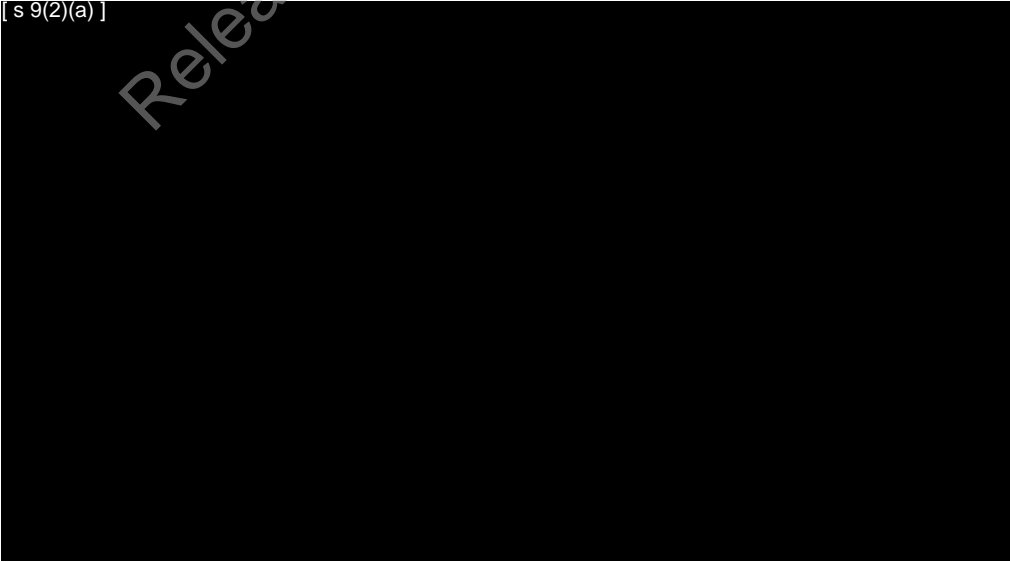
I don't want to officially complain about [s] however I would like it noted that I did not endorse a recommendation for him to become licensed. In fact, I talked to him about the surveying he does for us and what jobs he believes we sufficiently completed that would enable endorsements. The jobs he put forward have all had to be reworked before I'd sign them off – the definition is sub-standard and surveys need repeating.

I'm struggling with another survey he did for us before he left – and will need to send the survey party back out on another job of his before I'm satisfied enough to sign the plan.

I would recommend an audit on his first few plans.

Regards,

[s 9(2)(a)]



[s 9(2)(a)]

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