

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION)
FOR A WELL DRILLER'S LICENSE)
FILED OCTOBER 28, 1971 BY)
JOHNNY AMBERSON)

R U L I N G

GENERAL

An application for a well driller's license was received on October 28, 1971, with the statutory \$25.00 fee from Johnny Amberson, dba Amberson Construction Co. Receipt No. 1154 was issued on October 28, 1971 to the applicant.

Requests for references were forwarded to the persons listed on the application on October 28, 1971. References were received from three of the four persons listed on the application but none commented on the applicant's ability as a well driller.

The Statewide Well Driller's Advisory Board considered Mr. Amberson's application at the December 17, 1971 meeting. The Advisory Board requested a letter be forwarded to the applicant asking for additional names of persons having knowledge of Mr. Amberson's ability as a well driller and recommended withholding action until the next meeting.

By letter dated December 21, 1971 sent by certified mail, the applicant was requested to submit additional names for reference. No response was received from Mr. Amberson to the request contained in this letter.

The Statewide Well Driller's Advisory Board reviewed Mr. Amberson's application at the March 8, 1972 meeting. The Advisory Board requested a letter be sent to Mr. Amberson to inquire if he still wishes to obtain a well driller's license and recommended that if no response was received within two weeks appropriate action would be taken on his application.

Mr. Amberson called this office on March 16, 1972 and requested that the \$25.00 statutory fee for filing an application for a well driller's license be refunded. By letter dated March 22, 1972 sent by certified mail, a second request was made of Mr. Amberson to submit additional names for reference. Mr. Amberson submitted two additional names for reference by letter dated April 5, 1972 and references were received from these two individuals. Of the five references received none were submitted by a licensed well driller.

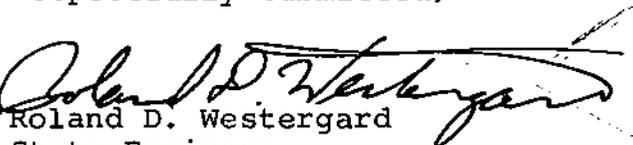
A letter dated May 17, 1972 was forwarded by certified mail to Mr. Amberson requesting him to appear at the June 8, 1972 meeting of the Statewide Well Driller's Advisory Board. The applicant appeared as scheduled and was questioned by Board members, Armstrong and McKinney, regarding his ability and experience as a well driller. Advisory Board members Armstrong and McKinney recommended denial of the application for a well driller's license by

Johnny Amberson on the grounds that the applicant does not have sufficient experience in water well drilling. Board member McDonald did not participate for personal reasons.

RULING

The application for a well driller's license filed by Johnny Amberson is herewith denied on the grounds that the applicant does not have sufficient experience to qualify as a well driller.

Respectfully submitted,


Roland D. Westergard
State Engineer

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Dated this 7th day of

July, 1972