

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION FOR)
A WELL DRILLERS LICENSE FILED BY)
R. LANE BENNETT)

R U L I N G

GENERAL

R. Lane Bennett filed an application for a well drillers license on June 14, 1984, in compliance with the provisions of NRS 534.140. Mr. Bennett listed, on his application, the names of six (6) individuals who had personal knowledge of his experience and ability as a water well driller. The references were contacted by the office of the State Engineer and asked to comment on the applicant's experience and knowledge as a water well driller.

On June 28, 1984, Mr. Bennett was notified, by certified mail, to appear before the Statewide Well Drillers Advisory Board for an oral interview. The interview before the board took place at 9:30 a.m., on July 13, 1984, in the branch office of the State Engineer located at 1515 E. Tropicana, Las Vegas, Nevada. Mr. Bennett appeared, as scheduled, before the Statewide Well Drillers Advisory Board and was questioned by the board members concerning his knowledge of the regulations for drilling water wells in the State of Nevada and his knowledge of the equipment that he had indicated, on his application, that he was familiar with and had operated. He was questioned by the board members concerning general practices of water well drilling, sealing and drilling wells in areas where moderately difficult situations could arise.

The Statewide Well Drillers Advisory Board's recommendation to the State Engineer was that R. Lane Bennett's application be denied on the grounds that he is not sufficiently familiar with the state regulations for drilling wells; that he lacks sufficient drilling experience and sufficient knowledge to deal with common drilling problems and equipment.

CONCLUSIONS

The State Engineer has reviewed the record of R. Lane Bennett's appearance before the Statewide Well Drillers Advisory Board and Mr. Bennett's application and responses from the references provided by the applicant. The State Engineer concludes, upon review of the record, that he must concur with the recommendation of the Statewide Well Drillers Advisory Board.

RULING

The application for a well drillers license in the State of Nevada by R. Lane Bennett is hereby denied on the grounds that the applicant has not demonstrated sufficient experience or knowledge of the regulations for drilling wells in the State of Nevada and that to consider the application for approval would not be in the public interest and welfare.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter G. Morros". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning.

Peter G. Morros
State Engineer

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Dated this 16th day of
August, 1984.