

IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION)
FOR A WELL DRILLER'S LICENSE)
FILED BY MURRELL REDDING.)

FINDINGS OF FACT,
CONCLUSIONS AND RULING

GENERAL

On June 19, 1987, Murrell Redding filed an application with the Office of the State Engineer for a well driller's license. Subsequent to the filing of the application, the applicant was notified by certified mail on June 25, 1987, to appear before the Statewide Well Driller's Advisory Board on July 10, 1987, in the office of the State Engineer, Southern Nevada Branch Office, located at 1515 E. Tropicana, Suite 375, Las Vegas, Nevada, at 10:00 A.M.¹

The notice to appear set forth that the application of Mr. Redding would be considered at the time and place therein set forth and that the applicant should be prepared to respond to questions in an oral interview before the Statewide Well Driller's Advisory Board. The notice set forth, with specificity, those areas of water well drilling that the applicant would be expected to be familiar with.¹

¹ Public record in the office of the State Engineer.

The notice also informed Mr. Redding that, as of the date of the notice, none of the required references had been submitted to the State Engineer's office.²

Mr. Redding appeared before the Statewide Well Driller's Advisory Board as scheduled for an oral interview to determine his qualifications as a well driller. The recommendation of the Board to the State Engineer is that Mr. Redding's application for a well driller's license be denied.³ The State Engineer has reviewed the entire record of the subject matter and makes the following findings of fact and conclusions.

FINDINGS OF FACT

I.

The applicant, Murrell Redding, was noticed on June 25, 1987, and did appear together with his legal council for an oral interview for evaluation before the Statewide Well Driller's Advisory Board on July 10, 1987.

² Public record in the office of the State Engineer. In making application for a well driller's license, the applicant is required to submit a minimum of four (4) references of persons who have personal knowledge of the applicants experience. Mr. Redding submitted the list of references with mailing addresses as required on the application. The references were requested bymail to provide comment on Mr. Redding's drilling ability. Subsequently, on July 2, 1987, two of the references responded and Mr. Redding hand delivered the reference of Homer V. Weimer to the Advisory Board on July 10, 1987.

³ Public record in the office of the State Engineer. Transcript of oral interview of Applicant Murrell Redding dated July 10, 1987.

II.

The State Engineer has reviewed and is familiar with the entire record of this proceeding and finds that said record provides substantial evidence that the applicant has failed to demonstrate an acceptable level of knowledge of well drilling regulations.¹

III.

The State Engineer has reviewed and is familiar with the entire record of this proceeding and finds that said record provides substantial evidence that the applicant has not demonstrated qualifications or an acceptable level of experience to become a licensed well driller in the State of Nevada.¹

IV.

The State Engineer has reviewed and is familiar with the entire record of this proceeding and finds that said record provides substantial evidence that the applicant does not possess adequate knowledge and understanding sufficient to locate potential well sites by basic legal description as required by regulation.

CONCLUSIONS

I.

The State engineer has jurisdiction over the matter set forth herein.⁴

⁴ NRS Chapter 534.

II.

Based on a record of substantial evidence, the State Engineer concludes that the applicant, Murrell Redding, does not qualify as a person to be licensed as a well driller in the State of Nevada.

III.

The State Engineer concludes that he must concur with the recommendation of the Statewide Well Driller's Advisory Board that the application for a well driller's license by Murrell Redding be denied.

RULING

The application for a well driller's license by Murrell Redding is hereby denied on the grounds that the applicant has failed to demonstrate the qualifications to become a licensed well driller in the State of Nevada.

Respectfully submitted,



PETER G. MORROS
State Engineer

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Dated this 7th day of

August, 1987.