

**STATE OF MINNESOTA  
BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS**

In the Matter of:  
Akwanza Blakes, Unregistered

**CEASE AND DESIST ORDER AND  
NOTICE OF RIGHT TO HEARING**

To: Akwanza Blakes  
C/O Damien's Sports Barber Shop  
182 Northtown Dr NE  
Blaine, MN 55434

The Minnesota Board of Barber Examiners has determined as follows:

**STATEMENT OF CHARGES**

1. Respondent is not registered as a barber.
2. On February 21, 2018 the Board of Barber Examiners inspector conducted a routine inspection of Damien's Sports Barber Shop located at 182 Northtown Dr. NE Blain, MN
3. During the inspection, the Board's inspector observed Respondent providing barbering services without a barber registration.
4. The Board of Barber Examiners has delegated the authority to sign orders of the Board to the Board's Executive Secretary.
5. This order is in the public interest.

**VIOLATION**

By barbering without a Minnesota barber registration, Respondent violated Minn. Stat. §154.01.

**ORDER**

1. **NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Respondent shall CEASE AND DESIST from the unregistered practice of barbering.
2. **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** this order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until lifted by subsequent order of the Board based upon successful registration as a barber in the State of Minnesota pursuant to Minn. Stat. ch. 154 and Minn. R. ch. 2100.


3. **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED**, that if a hearing is requested, this Order will remain in effect until it is modified or vacated or made permanent by further order of the Board. The administrative proceeding provided by Minn. Stat. ch. 14, and subsequent appellate judicial review of that administrative proceeding, constitutes the exclusive remedy for determining whether the Board properly issued this Order and whether this Order should be made permanent.

### NOTICE OF RIGHT TO HEARING

Respondent may request a hearing in this matter. Such a request shall be made in writing and served upon the Board by certified mail to the attention of the undersigned Executive Secretary. If no hearing is requested by Respondent within thirty (30) days of service of this Order, this Order will become permanent and will remain in effect until it is modified or vacated by the Board.

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 154.161, if a hearing is requested in this matter, it will be held before an Administrative Law Judge to be appointed by the Chief Administrative Law Judge for the State of Minnesota, Office of Administrative Hearings, Harold E. Stassen Office Building, 600 North Robert Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55146. All parties have the right to represent themselves or be represented throughout the proceedings by legal counsel or a person of their choice if not otherwise prohibited as the unauthorized practice of law. The hearing will be conducted in accordance with Minn. Stat. ch. 14. Failure to attend a hearing in this matter may result in the allegations of this Order being taken as true.

**MINNESOTA BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS**  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

 Ed.S. DATE 2/11/19

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