**Section 1255.80 Restoration**

a) Any registered interior designer whose registration has expired or has been placed on inactive status for 5 years or less may have the certificate of registration restored by submitting an application on forms provided by the Division, paying the fees required by Section 1255.65, and submitting proof of completing the required CE as defined in Section 1255.65 of this Part and gained within the 2 years prior to the date of submitting the application.

b) Any person seeking restoration of a certificate of registration that has been expired or placed on inactive status for more than 5 years shall file an application, on forms supplied by the Division, for review by the Board, together with the fee required by Section 1255.65, and submitting proof of completing the required CE as defined in Section 1255.65 of this Part and gained within the 2 years prior to the date of submitting the application. The applicant shall also submit at least one of the following:

1) Sworn evidence of active practice in another jurisdiction. The evidence shall include a statement from the appropriate board or licensing authority in the other jurisdiction that the registrant was authorized to practice during the term of the active practice;

2) An affidavit attesting to military service as provided in Section 9 of the Act;

3) Proof of passage of the NCIDQ examination for an interior designer registration during the period the registration was lapsed or on inactive status; or

4) Other evidence of continued active practice of interior design for at least the last 2 years. Evidence shall be satisfied by one of the below:

A) Employment under the supervision and control of a licensed or registered interior design professional;

B) Lawfully practicing interior design as an employee of a governmental agency; or

C) Teaching interior design in a college or university program accredited by the CIDA or NASAD.

c) When the accuracy of any submitted documentation, or the relevance of sufficiency of the course work or experience is questioned by the Division, or the Board, because of a lack of information, discrepancies or conflicts in information given, or a need for clarification, the registrant seeking restoration of a registration shall be required to:

1) Provide information as may be necessary and/or explain the relevance or sufficiency during an oral interview; or

2) Appear for an interview before the Board when the information available to the Board is insufficient to evaluate the individual's current competency to practice under the Act.

d) Upon the recommendation of the Board, and approval by the Director, an applicant shall have the registration restored or be notified in writing of the reason for denying the application.

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