

**ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING MINUTES
SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY**

Meeting Via Teams
August 13, 2025 8:30 a.m. CDT

The South Dakota Board of Accountancy convened at 8:33 a.m. on Wednesday, August 13, 2025.

The purpose of the contested case hearing was to hear the matter of John Kippley, case no. 123-25.

Members of the Board in Attendance: Deidre Budahl (Chair), Jeff Strand, Priscilla Romkema, Holly Engelhart, and Jay Tolsma.

Members of the Board in Attendance Not Participating in This Case: Russell Olson

Others in Attendance: Nicole Kasin-Executive Director, Julie Iverson-Licensing Administrator, and Jennifer Doubleddee-DLR Staff Attorney.

Not in Attendance: John Kippley

Chair Budahl began the hearing in the matter of John Kippley, license no. 1361, case file no. 123-25.

Olson recused himself from participating as a board member for the hearing and deciding the matter.

Chair Budahl deemed all other board members present are part of the board for purposes of deciding this case. (Budahl, Strand, Romkema, Engelhart, Tolsma).

Strand made a motion to proceed with the hearing even though Mr. Kippley was not in attendance. Tolsma seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.** (Olson-abstained)

Chair Budahl swore in witness Nicole Kasin.

Staff Attorney Doubleddee waived making an opening statement on behalf of the Board office.

Board office offered pre-marked exhibits 101 to 107, all of which were received as marked and entered into evidence.

Staff Attorney Doubleddee presented the Board office case. Nicole Kasin testified as a witness for the Board office.

The Board questioned Nicole Kasin.

Staff Attorney Doubleddee made a closing statement.
The Board closed the record of the hearing at 9:02 a.m.

Tolsma made a motion at 9:03 a.m. for the board members deciding the case to enter executive session in accordance with SDRS 1-25-2 for the purpose of deliberation.
Strand seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.** (Olson-abstained)

The Board members deciding the case came out of executive session at 9:17 a.m.

Budahl rendered the decision on Kippley as follows:

1. Kippley's license is suspended from the date of the decision until he provides proof of 54 hours of continuing education to return to compliance.
2. The Board staff is authorized to allocate hours and grant extensions for CPE credit consistent with Board policy.
3. Once reinstated, Kippley will not be allowed any CPE extensions for the next three years.
4. Kippley will pay a \$1000 fine to the Board office within 30 days of this decision.
5. Kippley will pay the costs for the proceeding within 30 days of this decision.
6. Kippley will be publicly reprimanded.

Strand made a motion to adopt the decision as presented. Tolsma seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.** (Olson-abstained)

The hearing concluded at 9:19 a.m.