

Before the
Commission on Common Ownership Communities
Montgomery County, Maryland

March 16, 2015

In the matter of:

Barry Lebowitz
11886 Little Seneca Parkway
Clarksburg, MD 20871,

Complainant,

v.

Case No. 60-14

Arora Hills Condominium Association
c/o Tiffany Releford, Esq.
1025 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. ,

Respondent.

Order Dismissing Dispute

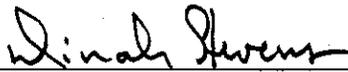
Dr. Barry Lebowitz, Complainant, has withdrawn his complaint in this matter without objection from Arora Hills Condominium Association, Respondent.

During a prehearing conference held in the matter during its pendency, it was agreed that the Association Board had held a meeting without notice to the community. The Hearing Panel hereby orders each member of the Arora Hills Condominium Association Board of Directors and the community manager to participate in an open meeting session of at least one hour conducted at the Association's cost by an attorney approved by the Commission hearing panel on the provisions of the Maryland Condominium Act related to open board meetings. The Association Board president and community manager must submit to the Office of Common Ownership Communities a certification that every member of the board and the manager has attended this session within 60 days of the date of this order. The certification will include the date(s) and place(s) at which the training was conducted. If during the next five years the Commission finds the community has violated the open meetings provision, the need for this training may be taken into account in any final order resulting in that matter. This training does not meet the training requirement established in the recently enacted Bill 45-14.

Other than the open meeting training requirement, the case is dismissed without prejudice. R

Panel members Fishbein and Winegar concur.

This order is final. Any party aggrieved by this decision may appeal it to the Circuit Court for Montgomery County, Maryland, within 30 days of this date, pursuant to the rules of court for appeals from the decisions of administrative agencies.



Dinah Stevens
Panel Chair