

**DEBARMENT OF RAPHAEL BOGHOSIAN and SHIRLANN BOGHOSIAN**

**THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board of Education of the City of Chicago ("Board") fully and permanently debar RAPHAEL BOGHOSIAN and SHIRLANN BOGHOSIAN (collectively, "Respondents") from doing any business with the Board.

On August 17, 2012, the Board's Chief Purchasing Officer filed and served on Respondents a Notice of Proposed Debarment ("Notice"), initiating interim constraints and a debarment proceeding against them, asserting that Raphael Boghosian obtained a vendor number for Shirlann Boghosian, and used it in submitting invoices for services he performed for North Grand High School, to evade the \$25,000 spending limit imposed by Board Rule section 7-2(b)(1), and that Shirlann Boghosian was complicit in this "stringing" scheme. Raphael Boghosian submitted his and his wife's invoices for services he alone provided in excess of \$25,000 for the school years 2006-2007, 2007-2008, 2008-2009 and 2009-2010.

Respondents were deemed to have received the Notice of Debarment on August 20, 2012, and under section 4.5(d) of the Debarment Policy, Respondents were required to file a verified, written answer to the Notice on or before September 14, 2012. Section 4.5(d) of the Debarment Policy further provides that a failure to respond "to any allegation in the Notice shall be deemed an admission of that allegation," and that if "Respondent[s] fail to file a timely Answer to the Notice . . . all of the allegations . . . shall be deemed to be admitted."

Neither Respondent filed an answer to the Notice, and thus all allegations are deemed admitted. The alleged conduct of Respondents was so egregious that the Notice sought to fully and permanently debar them.

Based on the facts set forth in the Notice, the Chief Administrative Officer, Tim Cawley, recommends that the Board fully and permanently debar all Respondents from doing any business with the Board, effective immediately.

**LSC REVIEW:** LSC approval is not applicable to this report.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS:** Affirmative Action review is not applicable to this report.


**FINANCIAL:** None.

**GENERAL CONDITIONS:** None.

APPROVED:

  
TIM CAWLEY  
Chief Administrative Officer

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

  
JAMES L. BEBLEY  
General Counsel