



May 12, 2016

BURGESS CHRISTOPHER J

56 VERANDA ST

PORTLAND, ME 04101

CBL: 429 A001001

Located at 56 VERANDA ST

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROSECUTE

Dear Owner/Manager/Occupant,

An inspection of the property located at the address referenced above revealed that the structure and premises fail to comply with NFPA 2009 Fire Code and/or NFPA Life Safety Codes. Attached is a list of those violations.

The above-referenced property is in violation of the Chapter 10, Fire Prevention and Protection, Article 1 of the Portland City Code (the "Code") and National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 101 Life Safety Code. Please note that the Code is available online at www.portlandmaine.gov.

This is a notice of intent to prosecute. As such, the matter is being referred to the City of Portland Corporation Council for legal action and possible civil penalties as provided for in Chapter 10, Fire Prevention and Protection, 10-25 of the Code and in Title 30- A.M.R.S.A. 4452.

Please be advised that you will need to contact the Fire Prevention Bureau at 207-874-8400 before the court date on the attached Reference to Court letter to either schedule a re-inspection or to submit a plan of action to correct these violations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Capt. David Petrucci".

Portland Fire Department

Fire Prevention Bureau

**CITY OF PORTLAND
PORTLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT**

380 Congress Street
Portland, Maine 04101

Inspection Violations

Owner/Manager BURGESS CHRISTOPHER J		Inspector Brad James	Inspection Date 5/11/2016
Location 56 VERANDA ST	CBL 429 A001001	Status Failed	Inspection Type Fire Company-FP Routine Inspec

Code	Int/Ext	Floor	Unit No.	Area	Compliance Date
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1) 69.25

Violation: PORTLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT CHAPTER 10 4.6.1, 4.6.2 UNIT/SUITE NUMBERS NOT MARKED; 4.6.1 RESIDENTIAL UNITS SHALL BE DESIGNATED USING NUMERALS.

4.6.2 THE FIRST NUMERAL OF EACH RESIDENTIAL UNIT SHALL BE THE FLOOR DESIGNATION.

Notes: FRONT ENTRY NEEDS APARTMENT NUMBERS

2) 80.46

Violation: NFPA 101- 7.2.1.8.1 FIRE DOORS MUST BE SELF- OR AUTO-CLOSING; A door leaf normally required to be kept closed shall not be secured in the open position at any time and shall be self-closing or automatic-closing in accordance with 7.2.1.8.2, unless otherwise permitted by 7.2.1.8.3.

Notes: ALL FIRE DOORS

3) 80.52

Violation: NFPA 101- 7.2.8.6.2 FIRE ESCAPE REQUIRES REPAIR; THE AUTHORITY HAVING JURISDICTION SHALL BE PERMITTED TO APPROVE ANY EXISTING FIRE ESCAPE STAIR THAT HAS BEEN SHOWN BY LOAD TEST OR OTHER SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE TO HAVE ADEQUATE STRENGTH.

Notes: REAR ESCAPE RAILINGS ARE LOOSE.

4) 2.140

Violation: NFPA 1- 10.1.1 STRUCTURE NEEDS REPAIR; Every new and existing building or structure shall be constructed, arranged, equipped, maintained, and operated in accordance with this code so as to provide a reasonable level of life safety, property protection, and public welfare from the actual and potential hazards created by fire, explosion, and other hazardous conditions.

Notes: AT THE FRONT DOOR STEP ON LEFT.

5) 55.05

Violation: NFPA 720- 5.5.6.1 CO ALARMS REQUIRED; The performance, location, and mounting of notification appliances used to initiate or direct action, evacuation or relocation of the occupants, or for providing information to occupants or staff, shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 6.

Notes: BASEMENT

6) 55.25

Violation: NFPA 101- 31.3.4.5.1 SMOKE ALARMS REQUIRED; In buildings other than those equipped through out with an existing, complete automatic smoke detection system, smoke alarms shall be installed in accordance with 9.6.2.10, as modified by 31.3.4.5.2, outside every sleeping area in the immediate vicinity of the bedrooms and on all levels of the dwelling unit, including basements.

Notes: BASEMENT

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7) 89.05

Violation: NFPA 1 EXCESSIVE/DISORDERLY STORAGE; REFERENCE NFPA 1 FOR EXCESSIVE FUEL-LOAD.

Notes: BOTH HALVES OF BASEMENT, RIGHT IS WORSE.

8) 91.15

Violation: NFPA 70- ARTICLE 110.12 B EXPOSED WIRING CONNECTIONS; Internal parts of electrical equipment, including busbars, wiring terminals, insulators, and other surfaces, shall not be damaged or contaminated by foreign materials such as paint, plaster, cleaners, abrasives, or corrosive residues. There shall be no damaged parts that may adversely affect safe operation or mechanical strength of the equipment such as parts that are broken; bent; cut; or deteriorated by corrosion, chemical reaction, or overheating.

Notes: BASEMENT

9) 80.37

Violation: NFPA 101- 8.3.4.2 60 MINUTE FIRE DOOR REQUIRED; REFER TO NFPA 101- TABLE 8.3.4.2 THAT STATES FIRE DOOR ASSEMBLIES FOR VERTICAL SHAFTS (INCLUDING STAIRWAYS, EXITS, AND REFUSE CHUTES) ARE RATED AND REQUIRED FOR 1 HOUR.

Notes: LEFT FRONT FOYER AND TOP OF BOTH BASEMENT STAIRS.

10) 7.001 Interior

Violation: NFPA 54- 9.6.4 UTILITY DISCONNECTS BLOCKED; Each appliance connected to a piping system shall have an accessible, approved manual shutoff valve with a nondisplaceable valve member, or a listed gas convenience outlet. Appliance shutoff valves and convenience outlets shall serve a single appliance only and shall be installed in accordance with 9.6.4.1.

Notes: BASEMENT

11) 55.082

Violation: NFPA 70 LABEL ALL ELECTRICAL PANELS; REFER TO NFPA 70 FOR REQUIREMENTS REGARDING LABELING OF ALL ELECTRICAL PANELS.

Notes:

Comments:

STATE OF MAINE

DISTRICT COURT

Location: Portland

Docket No.

CITY OF PORTLAND and body politic and
Corporate, located in the County of
Cumberland and State of Maine,

Plaintiff,

v.

Christopher Burgess
Defendant

**FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION
CODE VIOLATION**

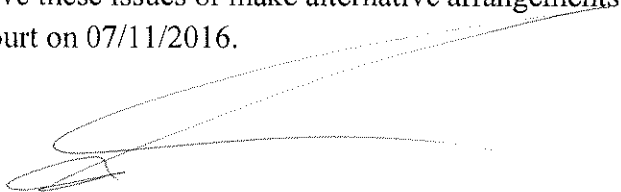
(M.R. CIV. P. 80H AND 80k)

SUMMONS NUMBER: 354567

This matter has been referred to the Corporation Counsel's Office for immediate legal action with respect to the code violations detailed in the attached letter. It has been assigned the above summons number and will be filed with the Portland District Court and will be assigned for an initial appearance at the Portland District Court 205 Newbury Street Portland, Maine 04101 at 8:30 A.M. on 07/11/2016. Please contact Tori Ross in Fire Prevention at (207)-874-8400 or via e-mail at meservev@portlandmaine.gov to set up an in-person meeting to meet with somebody in the Fire Prevention Bureau to resolve these issues or make alternative arrangements to relieve you of the requirement to appear in Court on 07/11/2016.

Dated:

5/24/16



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