

STATE LICENSING BOARD FOR CONTRACTORS
RESIDENTIAL CONTRACTORS SUBCOMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

November 17, 2021

The regular meeting of the Residential Building Contractors Subcommittee was called to order by the Chairman, Lloyd “Chip” Badeaux, on Wednesday, November 17, 2021, at 9:30 a.m. at 600 North Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Members of the Subcommittee present: Lloyd “Chip” Badeaux, Chairman
 Elliott Temple
 Travis Manceaux
 Frank Morse, Jr.
 Craig Stevens

Members Dodie Adams and Jim Fine were absent. There being a quorum present, the regular order of business was called.

Also attending the meeting were: Michael McDuff, Executive Director; Judy Dupuy, Board Administrator; Judge Darrell White, Retired, Hearing Officer; Kevin Landreneau, Board Attorney; and from the staff, Carrie Morgan, Leann Evans, Elaine Riggins, Monica Webster, Lowana Cola, Maranda Legaux, John Dixon, Brad Hassert, Compliance Director; and Tarah Revette recording the minutes.

Mr. Temple led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Judge Darrell White gave the invocation.

Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the Minutes of the October 20, 2021, Residential Building Subcommittee Meeting. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

Mr. Hassert introduced guest, Austin Holliday with the Louisiana Attorney General’s Office.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No requests were received from the public to address the Licensing Board.

NEW BUSINESS

Carrie Morgan and Brad Hassert with the Compliance Department for the board were sworn in.

D. COMPLIANCE HEARINGS:

1. **WEBERS CONSTRUCTION, LLC**, Walker, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of WEBERS CONSTRUCTION, LLC. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find WEBERS CONSTRUCTION, LLC to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Stevens seconded. The motion passed.

2. **AMATO SISTERS CONSTRUCTION, INC.**, New Orleans, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of AMATO SISTERS CONSTRUCTION, INC. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion

to find AMATO SISTERS CONSTRUCTION, INC. to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

3. **ISAAC BENTANCOR D/B/A HOME REPAIR & RENOVATIONS BY I & M**, New Orleans, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by ISAAC BENTANCOR D/B/A HOME REPAIR & RENOVATIONS BY I & M. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

4. **VICTOR SIMON D/B/A THIB'S ROOFING**, Duson, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by VICTOR SIMON D/B/A THIB'S ROOFING. Mr. Stevens made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

5. **JASON BERRY LAW D/B/A JASON LAW/AFFORDABLE COMFORT AND CONSTRUCTION**, Jefferson, Texas – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by JASON BERRY LAW D/B/A JASON LAW/AFFORDABLE COMFORT AND CONSTRUCTION. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Stevens seconded. The motion passed.

6. a) **FRANCISCO BERUMEN**, Fort Worth, Texas – La. R.S. 37:2167(A), 3 counts

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of FRANCISCO BERUMEN. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find FRANCISCO BERUMEN to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

- b) **3 BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, L.L.C.**, Bossier City, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A), 3 counts

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of 3 BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, L.L.C. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find 3 BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, L.L.C. to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

7. **LISSA BUSBEY D/B/A LBK LUXURY POOLS**, Marshall, Texas – La. R.S. 37:2167(A), 4 counts

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Lissa Busbey was present on behalf of LISSA BUSBEY D/B/A LBK LUXURY POOLS and was sworn in. Ms. Busbey entered a no contest plea. Mr. Temple made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand and reviewed the exhibit packet for this matter. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Ms. Busbey gave a statement to the board. The board questioned Ms. Busbey. Mr. Morse made a motion to assess an administrative penalty of the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to allow the administrative penalty to be reduced to a \$1000 fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs if Ms. Busbey obtains the proper license within 120 days. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

8. **ACCU-BUILDERS, INC.**, Baton Rouge, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Vincent Jones was present on behalf of ACCU-BUILDERS, INC. and was sworn in. Mr. Jones entered a no contest plea. Mr. Temple made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand and reviewed the exhibit packet for this matter. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Jones gave a statement to the board. The board questioned Mr. Jones. Mr. Temple made a motion to assess an administrative penalty of a \$1000 fine plus \$500 in administrative costs. Mr. Stevens seconded. The motion passed.

9. **ALONZO JAMES**, Lake Charles, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of ALONZO JAMES. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find ALONZO JAMES to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Stevens seconded. The motion passed.

10. **COMBS RESTORATION, LLC**, Lake Charles, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A), 2 counts; and 2185(A), 2 counts

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by COMBS RESTORATION, LLC. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

11. **ELITE CONTRACTING SOLUTIONS LLC**, Cameron, Missouri – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of ELITE CONTRACTING SOLUTIONS LLC. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find ELITE CONTRACTING SOLUTIONS LLC to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

12. **AGG GROUP CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE LLC**, Baton Rouge, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(3) and Rules and Regulations of the Board Section 135(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of AGG GROUP CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE LLC. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find AGG GROUP CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE LLC to be in violation, to assess an administrative penalty of the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to give the company thirty (30) days from notice of the board's ruling to provide the requested documentation. If the requested documentation is provided to staff's satisfaction within the timeframe given, to allow the administrative penalty to be reduced to \$1000 fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

13. **KENNETH CREEL D/B/A SOUTHERN RESPONSE GROUP LLC**, Panama City, Florida – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of KENNETH CREEL D/B/A SOUTHERN RESPONSE GROUP LLC. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find KENNETH CREEL D/B/A SOUTHERN RESPONSE GROUP LLC to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

14. **RICHARD B. WILSON D/B/A GALLANT ROOFING & EXTERIORS**, Hemphill, Texas – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of RICHARD B. WILSON D/B/A GALLANT ROOFING & EXTERIORS. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Ms. Morgan also provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find RICHARD B. WILSON D/B/A GALLANT ROOFING & EXTERIORS to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Stevens seconded. The motion passed.

15. **GENO JOHN D/B/A RIGHT WAY ROOFING & CONTRACTING**, Metairie, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of GENO JOHN D/B/A RIGHT WAY ROOFING & CONTRACTING. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find GENO JOHN D/B/A RIGHT WAY ROOFING & CONTRACTING to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

16. **SJRR, LLC**, New Orleans, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(4)

Reneau Londot was present on behalf of SJRR, LLC and was sworn in. Mr. Londot requested a continuance. Mr. Morse made a motion to grant the continuance. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Londot also confirmed service for the January 20, 2022, Residential Subcommittee Meeting.

17. **SARAH'S CONSTRUCTION INC.**, Abita Springs, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A), 2 counts

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of SARAH'S CONSTRUCTION INC. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packets and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packets into evidence and both packets were admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find SARAH'S CONSTRUCTION INC to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

18. **GARNER HOMES, LLC**, Gonzales, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by GARNER HOMES, LLC. Mr. Temple made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

19. a) **SCOT BUILDING CONSTRUCTION LLC**, Ponchatoula, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(4), 2 counts

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by SCOT BUILDING CONSTRUCTION LLC. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Stevens seconded. The motion passed.

<Matters 19b and 20b were heard together.>

19. b) **NAVARRE SCOTT TRAYLOR JR.**, Ponchatoula, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)
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Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offers presented by NAVARRE SCOTT TRAYLOR JR. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offers for matters 19b and 20b as presented, which both included a no contest plea. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

19. c) **JOSE GARCIA**, Hammond, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of JOSE GARCIA. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find JOSE GARCIA to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

20. a) **SAL W. LALA**, Hammond, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(4)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by SAL W. LALA. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

- b) **NAVARRE SCOTT TRAYLOR JR.**, Ponchatoula, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

This matter was previously heard with matter 19b under Compliance Hearings.

21. a) **SOUTHERN STRENGTH CONSTRUCTION LLC**, Springfield, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(4), 2 counts

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by SOUTHERN STRENGTH CONSTRUCTION LLC. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

- b) **JUAREZ ROOFING AND CONSTRUCTION LLC**, Independence, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of JUAREZ ROOFING AND CONSTRUCTION LLC. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find JUAREZ ROOFING AND CONSTRUCTION LLC to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

22. a) **MARANATHA CONSTRUCTION, INC.**, Baton Rouge, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(4)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by MARANATHA CONSTRUCTION, INC. Mr. Manceaux made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

- b) **VS CONSTRUCTION, LLC**, Denham Springs, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2159(B)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by VS CONSTRUCTION, LLC. Mr. Manceaux made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

23. a) **GATOR HOMES & RENOVATIONS L.L.C.**, Denham Springs, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(4), 2 counts

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by GATOR HOMES & RENOVATIONS L.L.C. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

- b) **CRISTIAN GOLVEN**, Denham Springs, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A), 2 counts

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Jose Barro was present to act as an interpreter for this matter and was sworn in. CRISTIAN GOLVEN was present and was sworn in. Mr. Golven entered a no contest plea. Mr. Temple made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Morse

seconded. The motion passed. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packets and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packets into evidence and both packets were admitted. Mr. Golven gave a statement to the board. Mr. Temple made a motion to assess an administrative penalty of the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to allow the administrative penalty to be reduced to a \$500 fine plus \$500 in administrative costs if Mr. Golven obtains the proper license within 120 days. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

24. **JUAN SOFO**, Denham Springs, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by JUAN SOFO. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

25. **SCOTT CLARK**, Port Allen, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of SCOTT CLARK. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find SCOTT CLARK to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

26. **IDEAL 7 CONSTRUCTION, L.L.C.**, Baton Rouge, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by IDEAL 7 CONSTRUCTION, L.L.C. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

27. **WILFRED LASTRAPE D/B/A W&W PAINTING CARPENTRY & ROOFING**, Arnaudville, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and stated a correction to the agenda was needed. Ms. Morgan stated that the name for this matter should be changed from Wildred Lastrape to Wilfred Lastrape. Wilfred Lastrape was present on behalf of WILFRED LASTRAPE D/B/A W&W PAINTING CARPENTRY & ROOFING and was sworn in. Mr. Lastrape entered a no contest plea. Mr. Temple made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed. Brad Hassert, Compliance Director, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Hassert reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Lastrape gave a statement to the board. The board questioned Mr. Lastrape. Mr. Morse made a motion to assess an administrative penalty of the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to allow the administrative penalty to be reduced to a \$500 fine plus \$500 in administrative costs if Mr. Lastrape obtains the proper license within 120 days. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

E. **STATUTORY CITATIONS:**

Ms. Morgan presented the statutory citations. Mr. Temple made a motion to accept the statutory citations as presented. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

F. **COMPLIANCE HEARINGS/CONTINUANCES:**

<Matters 1 - 3 were heard together.>

1. **SOUTHERN OUTFITTERS DESIGN LLC**, Sulphur, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A) and 2185(A)
2. **SOUTHERN OUTFITTERS DESIGN LLC**, Sulphur, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)
3. **SOUTHERN OUTFITTERS DESIGN LLC**, Sulphur, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A) and 2185(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by SOUTHERN OUTFITTERS DESIGN LLC for all three matters under Compliance Hearings/Continuances. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offers as presented for all three matters, which all three settlement offers included a no contest plea. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

- G. Consideration of additional classifications for residential licenses as listed and attached to the agenda. (Page 6)

Mr. Morse made a motion to approve the additional classifications for residential licenses as listed on the agenda. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

- H. Consideration of residential applications as listed and attached to the agenda. (Pages 7-14)

Mr. Morse made a motion to approve the new residential applications as listed on the agenda. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

- I. Consideration of home improvement applications as listed and attached to the agenda. (Pages 15-29)

Mr. Morse made a motion to approve the new home improvement registration applications as listed on the agenda, and Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Morse made a motion to adjourn at 11:00 a.m., and Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Lloyd "Chip" Badeaux, Chairman

Elliott Temple, Vice Chairman