

STATE LICENSING BOARD FOR CONTRACTORS
RESIDENTIAL CONTRACTORS SUBCOMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

December 15, 2021

The regular meeting of the Residential Building Contractors Subcommittee was called to order by the Chairman, Lloyd “Chip” Badaeux, on Wednesday, December 15, 2021, at 9:30 a.m. at 600 North Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Members of the Subcommittee present: Lloyd “Chip” Badaeux, Chairman
 Elliott Temple
 Dodie Adams
 Jim Fine
 Travis Manceaux
 Frank Morse, Jr.
 Craig Stevens

There being a quorum present, the regular order of business was called.

Also attending the meeting were: Michael McDuff, Executive Director; Judge Darrell White, Retired, Hearing Officer; Kevin Landreneau, Board Attorney; and from the staff, Carrie Morgan, Leann Evans, Monica Webster, Lowana Cola, Maranda Legaux, Brad Hassert, Compliance Director; Frank Vaughan, compliance investigator; and Tarah Revette recording the minutes.

Ms. Adams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Judge Darrell White gave the invocation.

Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the Minutes of the November 17, 2021, Residential Building Subcommittee Meeting. Mr. Fine 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, Frank Vaughan and Brad Hassert with the Compliance Department for the board were sworn in.

D. COMPLIANCE HEARINGS:

1. **VICTOR DOWDEN**, Leesville, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. VICTOR DOWDEN was present and was sworn in. Mr. Dowden entered a denial plea. Investigator Frank Vaughan, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Vaughan reviewed the exhibit packet for this matter and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Landreneau questioned Mr. Dowden. Mr. Dowden gave a statement to the board. Mr. Landreneau questioned Mr. Dowden again. The board also questioned Mr. Dowden. Mr. Morse made a motion to find VICTOR DOWDEN to be in violation, to assess an administrative penalty of a \$1500 fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

2. **ALLISON CONSTRUCTION LLC**, Sulphur, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of ALLISON CONSTRUCTION LLC. Investigator Frank Vaughan, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Vaughan 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 ALLISON 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. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

3. **TOMMY CURRY**, 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 TOMMY CURRY. Investigator Frank Vaughan, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Vaughan 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 TOMMY CURRY to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Ms. Adams seconded. The motion passed.

4. **ABSOLUTE ROOFING AND REMODELING LLC**, Sulphur, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1), 2 counts

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of ABSOLUTE ROOFING AND REMODELING LLC. Investigator Frank Vaughan, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Vaughan reviewed the exhibit packets and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered both exhibit packets into evidence and they were admitted. Mr. Morse made a motion to find ABSOLUTE ROOFING AND REMODELING LLC to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

5. a) **RHETT HANAGRIFF**, Sulphur, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. RHETT HANAGRIFF was present and was sworn in. Mr. Hanagriff entered a no contest plea. Mr. Temple made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed. Investigator Frank Vaughan, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Vaughan reviewed the exhibit packets and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Hanagriff gave a statement to the board. 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. Hanagriff obtains the proper license within 120 days. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

- b) **JASON TODD RUBSAMEN D/B/A CLOCK CONSTRUCTION AND/OR CLK CONSTRUCTION**, Lake Charles, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Jason Rubsamen was present on behalf of JASON TODD RUBSAMEN D/B/A CLOCK CONSTRUCTION AND/OR CLK CONSTRUCTION and was sworn in. Mr. Rubsamen entered a no contest plea. Mr. Temple made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed. Investigator Frank Vaughan, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Vaughan reviewed the exhibit packet for this matter and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Rubsamen gave a statement to the board. The board questioned Mr. Rubsamen. Mr. Temple made a motion to assess an administrative penalty of a \$1000 fine plus \$500 in administrative costs. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

6. **JASON TODD RUBSAMEN D/B/A CLOCK CONSTRUCTION AND/OR CLK CONSTRUCTION**, Lake Charles, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A) and 2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Jason Rubsamen, who was previously sworn, was present on behalf of JASON TODD RUBSAMEN D/B/A CLOCK CONSTRUCTION AND/OR CLK CONSTRUCTION. Mr. Rubsamen entered a no contest plea. Mr. Temple made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed. Investigator Frank Vaughan, who was

previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Vaughan reviewed the exhibit packet for this matter and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Landreneau questioned Mr. Rubsamen. Mr. Rubsamen gave a statement to the board. Mr. Temple made a motion to assess an administrative penalty of a \$1000 fine plus \$500 in administrative costs. Mr. Morse seconded. After discussion, the motion passed.

7. **RTC CONSTRUCTION, LLC**, Haughton, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A), 2 counts

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by RTC 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.

8. **LAKE AREA INDUSTRIAL GROUP LLC AND/OR D & R ELITE SERVICES LLC**, Sulphur, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of LAKE AREA INDUSTRIAL GROUP LLC AND/OR D & R ELITE SERVICES LLC. Investigator Frank Vaughan, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Vaughan reviewed the exhibit packet for this matter 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 LAKE AREA INDUSTRIAL GROUP LLC AND/OR D & R ELITE SERVICES LLC to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

9. **LAKE AREA INDUSTRIAL GROUP LLC**, Sulphur, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of LAKE AREA INDUSTRIAL GROUP LLC. Investigator Frank Vaughan, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Vaughan reviewed the exhibit packet for this matter 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 LAKE AREA INDUSTRIAL 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. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

10. **DUSTIN LANDRY D/B/A D & R ELITE SERVICES**, Sulphur, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of DUSTIN LANDRY D/B/A D & R ELITE SERVICES. Investigator Frank Vaughan, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Vaughan reviewed the exhibit packet for this matter 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 DUSTIN LANDRY D/B/A D & R ELITE SERVICES 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.

11. **ROBERT GREEN**, Boyce, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

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

12. **ASIF IJAZ D/B/A ACE CONSTRUCTION**, 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 ASIF IJAZ D/B/A ACE CONSTRUCTION. Investigator Frank Vaughan, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Vaughan reviewed the exhibit packet for this matter and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Fine made a motion to find ASIF IJAZ D/B/A ACE CONSTRUCTION to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

13. **JOSEPH HARVEY D/B/A ELITE CONSTRUCTION AND/OR A1 RAZOR CONSTRUCTION, LLC,** Nederland, Texas – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of JOSEPH HARVEY D/B/A ELITE CONSTRUCTION AND/OR A1 RAZOR CONSTRUCTION, LLC. Investigator Frank Vaughan, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Vaughan reviewed the exhibit packet for this matter 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 JOSEPH HARVEY D/B/A ELITE CONSTRUCTION AND/OR A1 RAZOR 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. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

14. **LAURA NANDIN D/B/A M&M ROOFING AND CONTRACTORS,** Garland, Texas – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by LAURA NANDIN D/B/A M&M ROOFING AND CONTRACTORS. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed.

15. **BERTRAND FAMILY BUILDERS LLC,** Reeves, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Nicholas Bertrand was present on behalf of BERTRAND FAMILY BUILDERS LLC and was sworn in. Mr. Bertrand 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 for this matter and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Bertrand gave a statement to the board. The board questioned Mr. Bertrand. Mr. Hassert provided additional testimony to the board. 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 the company obtains the proper license within 120 days. Mr. Manceaux seconded. The motion passed.

16. **HANDYMAN SERVICES OF LOUISIANA, LLC,** New Iberia, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of HANDYMAN SERVICES OF LOUISIANA, 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 HANDYMAN SERVICES OF LOUISIANA, LLC to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

17. **JOHN PRICE D/B/A PRICE IS RIGHT REMODELING,** Hammond, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by JOHN PRICE D/B/A PRICE IS RIGHT REMODELING. Mr. Morse made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

18. **BRUCE JR CONSTRUCTION, L.L.C.,** 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 BRUCE JR CONSTRUCTION, 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 BRUCE JR CONSTRUCTION, 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. Fine seconded. After discussion, Mr. Morse amended the motion to remove the cease and desist order and to only assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs. Mr. Fine seconded the amended motion. The amended motion passed without objection.

19. **T.G. REMODELING, L.L.C.**, Baton Rouge, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of T.G. REMODELING, 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 T.G. REMODELING, 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. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

20. **D & D MILES PROPERTIES L.L.C.**, Tickfaw, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(4)

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by D & D MILES PROPERTIES L.L.C. Mr. Fine made a motion to accept the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea. Mr. Morse 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. Ms. Adams seconded. The motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

F. REQUEST FOR REHEARING:

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

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and the previous action taken by the board regarding this matter. No one was present on behalf of ELITE CONTRACTING SOLUTIONS LLC. Mr. Hassert stated that staff had requested the request for a rehearing and provided testimony to the board regarding this matter. Mr. Morse made a motion to grant the rehearing request and to vacate the board's previous actions taken against ELITE CONTRACTING SOLUTIONS LLC at the November 17, 2021, Residential Subcommittee meeting. Mr. Fine seconded. The motion passed.

G. Consideration of additional classifications for residential licenses as listed and attached to the agenda. (Page 5)

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

H. Consideration of residential applications as listed and attached to the agenda. (Pages 6-9)

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

I. Consideration of home improvement applications as listed and attached to the agenda. (Pages 10-19)

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

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Morse made a motion to adjourn at 10:55 a.m., and Mr. Temple seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Lloyd "Chip" Badeaux, Chairman

Elliott Temple, Vice Chairman