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STATE CONTRACTORS' BOARD NEWS RELEASE

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STATE CONTRACTORS BOARD TAKES DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST FIVE CONTRACTORS

RENO, NV – At its meeting on February 5, 2002, the Nevada State Contractors Board adjudicated cases against five licensed contractors.

Summary Suspension

The Board summarily suspended the license of ***Desert Mountain Development***, license number 32543 (Residential and Small Commercial) based out of Stateline, Nevada. Donald Ray Holloway is the owner of Desert Mountain Development.

The Board acted under a provision of the Nevada revised Statutes (NRS) 624.291, which gives the Board authority to suspend the license of a contractor without a hearing if the board finds, based upon evidence in its possession, that the public health, safety or welfare imperatively requires summary suspension of the license.

Creative Business Systems dba Brown Rice, license number 44689 (General Building) based out of Incline Village, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to include license number and monetary limit on a contract or proposal; failure to notify the Board of a bankruptcy; failure to cooperate in the investigation of a complaint; failure to keep in force a bond or cash deposit; and failure to establish financial responsibility. The Board revoked the license of Creative Business Systems dba Brown Rice.

Mark Lynn Berry dba Mark Berry Plumbing, license number 36836 (Plumbing) based out of Elko, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to pay for materials or services; failure to establish financial responsibility; failure to cooperate in the investigation of a complaint; and failure to keep in force a bond or cash deposit. The Board revoked the license of Mark Lynn Berry dba Mark Berry Plumbing.

Rocky Lynn Pefley dba T Bar Construction, license number 50304 (Residential and Small Commercial) based out of Reno, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with a notice to correct; failure to include license number and monetary limit on a contract or proposal; willful disregard of plans or specifications; failure to report to the Board a change in address or personnel; and failure to establish financial responsibility. The Board revoked the license of Rocky Lynn Pefley dba T Bar Construction.

Solano Development Company, license number 50086 (Residential and Small Commercial) based out of Reno, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with a notice to correct; and entering into a contract with an unlicensed person. The licensee was fined \$5,000, a one-year letter of reprimand was placed in the licensee's file and the licensee was assessed the cost of investigation.

The Nevada State Contractors Board offers the following helpful tips for consumers when dealing with contractors:

10 TIPS FOR MAKING SURE YOUR CONTRACTOR IS ON THE LEVEL

1. Hire only licensed contractors.
2. Check the contractor's license number by calling 1-702-486-1100 in southern Nevada or 1-775-688-1141 in northern Nevada or doing a License Check by visiting our website at: www.state.nv.us/nscb/.
3. Get three references, and review past work.
4. Get at least three bids.
5. Get a written contract and do not sign anything until you completely understand the terms.
6. Pay 10% down or \$1000, whichever is less if a deposit is required.
7. Don't let payments get ahead of work. Keep records of payments.
8. Don't make the final payment until you're satisfied with the job.
9. Don't pay cash.
10. Keep a job file of all papers relating to your project

The Nevada State Contractors' Board is committed to protecting the public's health, safety, and welfare through licensing and regulation of the construction industry. Under Nevada Revised Statutes, a licensee is subject to disciplinary action by the Board for failure to comply with the requirements of the laws or regulations governing contractors. Violations may result in Board action against the contractor's license. The State Contractors' Board has the power to regulate contractors and discipline licensees who violate NRS 624. Disciplinary action may consist of a fine of up to \$10,000 per offense, order corrective action, suspension, revocation or other action.

The Board will convene next in Henderson, NV on February 20, 2002.