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## STATE CONTRACTORS BOARD NEWS RELEASE

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### STATE CONTRACTORS BOARD TAKES DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST NINE CONTRACTORS

**HENDERSON, NV** – At its meeting on February 20, 2002, the Nevada State Contractors Board adjudicated cases against nine licensed contractors.

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#### Summary Suspension

The Board summarily suspended the license of **Magnum Air**, license number 41008 (Air Conditioning) and 45333 (Plumbing and Heating) based out of Las Vegas, Nevada.

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.

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**R H I**, license number 47428 (Residential and Small Commercial), based out of Cathedral City, California was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to pay for materials or services; failure to cooperate in the investigation of a complaint; failure to establish financial responsibility; and, failure to include license number and monetary limit on a contract or proposal. The Board revoked the license of R H I.

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**Fresco Air Conditioning**, license number 50666 (Refrigeration/Air Conditioning/Sheet Metal/Maintenance), based out of Las Vegas, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with a notice to correct; failure to cooperate in the investigation of a complaint; failure to establish financial responsibility; failure to include license number and monetary limit on a contract or proposal; and, failure to report to the Board a change in address or personnel. The Board revoked the license of Fresco Air Conditioning.

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**B & D Landscaping**, license number 40724(Landscape Contracting) and **B & D Landscaping Inc.**, license number 40724A (Landscape Contracting), based out of Las Vegas, Nevada were found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with a notice to correct; abandonment of a construction project; failure to establish financial responsibility; failure to include license number and monetary limit on a contract or

proposal; acting in the capacity of a contractor beyond the scope of the license; entering into a contract with an unlicensed person; willful disregard for building laws; failure to pay for materials or services; bidding to contract in excess of license limit; and failure to cooperate in the investigation of a complaint. The Board revoked the license of B & D Landscaping and B & D Landscaping, Inc.

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**Ed's Concrete Construction**, license number 40283 (Concrete Contracting), based out of Pahrump, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to pay for materials or services; failure to cooperate in the investigation of a complaint; failure to establish financial responsibility; failure to keep in force a bond or cash deposit; and failure to report to the Board a change in address or personnel. The Board revoked the license of Ed's Concrete Construction.

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**Nevada Paint & Drywall**, license number 35768 (Painting/Drywall), based out of Henderson, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with a notice to correct; failure to cooperate in the investigation of a complaint; failure to include license number and monetary limit on a contract or proposal; failure to report to the Board a change in address or personnel. The Board revoked the license of Nevada Paint & Drywall.

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**Desert Mirage Landscaping Inc.**, license number 42444 (Landscape & Irrigation), based out of Las Vegas, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for abandonment of a construction project; contracting in excess of established license limit; failure to establish financial responsibility; and, failure to report to the Board a change in address or personnel. The Board revoked the license of Desert Mirage Landscaping Inc.

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**Cambridge Development Inc**, license number 47488 (Residential and Small Commercial), based out of Las Vegas, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for contracting in excess of established license limit. A one-year letter of reprimand was placed in licensee's file, licensee was fined \$1,000 and assessed the cost of investigation.

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**Cutting Construction Company**, license number 15695 (General Building) based out of Las Vegas, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for entering into a contract with an unlicensed person; failure to maintain records; conspiring with an unlicensed person to perform an unauthorized act; contracting in excess of established license limit; failure to establish financial responsibility; and, failure to include license number and monetary limit on a contract or proposal. A permanent letter of reprimand was placed in licensee's file, licensee was fined \$3,000 and assessed the cost of investigation.

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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](http://www.state.nv.us/nscb/) by visiting our website at: [www.state.nv.us/nscb/](http://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
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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 Reno, NV on March 5, 2002.*