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## CONTRACTORS BOARD TAKES DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST FIVE CONTRACTORS IN NORTHERN NEVADA

(*Reno, NV*) - At its meeting on Sept. 12, 2007, the Nevada State Contractors Board adjudicated cases involving five contractors.

*Price & Sons Plumbing*, license number 53936 (Plumbing) based out of Reno, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for contracting with an unlicensed contractor; failure to include the license number and monetary license limit on a contract or proposal; failure to include the Residential Recovery Fund information on a contract or proposal; failure to provide the name, license number, business address and telephone number of all subcontractors on the project; and failure to establish financial responsibility. The licensee was fined \$1,850 and ordered to pay investigative costs, pay restitution to the damaged party and reimburse the Board for monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund. The license was revoked.

Leonard Pitts Construction, license number 45183 (Residential & Small Commercial), based out of Gardnerville, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to comply with the Board's Notice to Correct; abandonment of a construction project; failure to respond to a written request from the Board; failure to include the Residential Recovery Fund information on a contract or proposal; failure to establish financial responsibility; misrepresentation of a material fact; willful disregard of the building laws of the state; and failure to obtain the necessary building permits. The licensee was ordered to pay restitution to the damaged party, pay a fine of \$5,100 and pay investigative costs and reimburse the Board for monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund. The license was revoked.

Superior Concrete, license number 55485 (Concrete Contracting), based out of Reno, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with the Board's Notice to Correct; failure to include the Residential Recovery Fund information on a contract or proposal; failure to include the license number and monetary license limit on a contract or proposal; failure to discharge a lien; and misrepresentation of a material fact. The licensee was ordered to complete repairs for one homeowner and reimburse another homeowner \$5,000, pay investigative costs, and submit to a business review. The license remains suspended.

*Lake Tahoe Developers*, license numbers 57719, 64694 and 66079 (General Building, Concrete Contracting and Landscaping), based out of Minden, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for allowing a license to used by an unlicensed person; aiding or abetting an unlicensed person; acting in the capacity of a contractor beyond the scope of the license; failure to pay any money

due for any materials or services; committing a fraudulent or deceitful act; failure to establish financial responsibility; and for the partnership, corporation, firm or association participating in a prohibited act. The licensee was ordered to reimburse the damaged parties \$7,870 and pay investigative costs. The licenses were surrendered.

**D** A **Development**, license number 55592 (Residential & Small Commercial), based out of Minden, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship and failure to comply with the Board's notice to correct. The licensee was fined \$750 and ordered to complete repairs for the homeowner, pay investigative costs and submit to a business review.

\*\*The Business Review Program is one in which a contractor's business practices and regulatory compliance is examined by NSCB investigative staff. The program is a part of NSCB's proactive investigative efforts.

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.