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TOP 10 MOST WANTED UNLICENSED CONTRACTOR **NEIL BRODSKY ARRESTED**

HENDERSON, Nev. – The Nevada State Contractors Board (NSCB) is pleased to announce that unlicensed contractor Neil Brodsky was arrested in Los Angeles County by the Culver City Police Department on Saturday, September 24. Brodsky is being held on a no bail warrant pending extradition. Brodsky actively posted advertisements on Craigslist for plumbing services, claiming to be a licensed contractor, using “Family Man” and “Licensed Plumber” in addition to other headings in his advertisements. Brodsky was known for changing his advertisement frequently, using different aliases, and claiming to be affiliated with a named licensed company.

Brodsky was added to NSCB’s Most Wanted list February 9, 2010 for engaging in business or submitting bids without a license (NRS 624.700 violation), unlawful advertising (NRS 624.720 violation), and obtaining money by false pretenses (NRS 205.380 violation) among others. Brodsky currently has three active warrants for his arrest (one felony, one gross misdemeanor, and one misdemeanor) with additional warrants pending. NSCB has several complaints from Southern Nevada consumers against Brodsky that are currently being investigated.

“Consumers should be commended for bringing forward their complaints against Mr. Brodsky,” said Margi Grein, NSCB executive officer. “Our investigators worked closely with partners in other states to locate Mr. Brodsky and we couldn’t be more satisfied that one more unlicensed contractor is off the streets.”

Consumers are urged to contact NSCB if they come into contact with any unlicensed contractor. NSCB encourages consumers looking for contractors to perform work to follow these ten tips:

1. Only hire licensed contractors.
2. Check the contractor’s license number by utilizing our Online Contractor Search at www.nscb.nv.gov
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. For pool contracts, pay 10% down or \$1,000 - whichever is less, if a deposit is required.
7. Don’t let payments get ahead of the work. Keep a record of all payments.
8. Don’t make a final payment until you are satisfied with the job.
9. Don’t pay cash.
10. Keep a job file of all papers relating to your project.

Additional information for consumers is available on NSCB’s website at www.nscb.nv.gov

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MEDIA NOTE: Picture of Neil Brodsky below (.jpg file can be sent electronically upon request)



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