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FORMER “MOST WANTED” CONTRACTOR PLEADS GUILTY

RENO, Nev. – A former member of the Nevada State Contractors Board’s ‘Most Wanted’ list pled guilty to diversion of funds, a gross misdemeanor, in the Second Judicial District Court located in the County of Washoe.

Steve Charles Yon received a suspended one-year jail sentence and was placed on probation for 36 months. Yon was ordered to pay the victim \$9,745 in restitution and \$400 in administrative fees and reimbursement to the county Public Defender’s office.

The Board revoked Yon’s contractor license in March 2009. His company, Alpine Fence, was paid \$9,745 for a fencing project that he never completed. Yon fled to the Sacramento, Calif. area and was living with a relative. NSCB worked with the California State License Board and local law enforcement, which placed the relative’s home under surveillance. Yon was observed in the garage and was taken into custody.

He was then extradited back to Nevada.

NSCB reminds homeowners to be aware of signs they may be dealing with unscrupulous contractors:

- Contractor demands cash payment or up-front deposit.
- Contractor does not produce a contractor’s license number or local contact information.
- Contractor offers “today-only” deals using extra materials from a previous job.
- Contractor solicits work because he noticed issues with your home.
- Contractor asks to perform a free inspection, followed by a laundry list of repairs that need to be made.
- Contractor balks at drafting a written contract.

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