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## **BOARD CITES 11 SUSPECTED UNLICENSED CONTRACTORS**

**LAS VEGAS, Nev.** – The Nevada State Contractors Board issued citations to 11 suspected unlicensed contractors during an undercover sting operation on the west side of Las Vegas on Oct. 25. Board investigators cited suspects for contracting without a license and/or illegally advertising construction services. Both are violations of Nevada Revised Statutes Chapter 624.

<b><u>Suspect</u></b>	<b><u>Alleged Offense(s)</u></b>
Gerald May	Advertising without a License
Farshid Seyed Hosseni	Advertising without a License
Kurt Kozuch	Advertising without a License
David Pimentel Jr.	Advertising without a License
George Tyler Szymoniak	Advertising without a License
Steven Wheeler	Contracting without a License/Advertising without a License
Kerry Kumiski-Ellis	Contracting without a License
Eduardo Sierra-Barron	Contracting without a License/Advertising without a License
Jonathan Seago	Advertising without a License
Mark Hamilton	Advertising without a License (gross misdemeanor)
Heather Simbrat	Advertising without a License

Board investigators also will file criminal complaints against Szymoniak, Hamilton and Simbrat,

Investigators identified suspects through complaints to the Contractors Board and by examining advertisements on Craigslist and other bulletin board services. Under Nevada law, unlicensed individuals are not allowed to advertise to perform any construction, repair or maintenance work that requires a contractor’s license. Nevada requires contractors to be licensed to perform any electrical, plumbing, heating or air conditioning work, any construction work that requires a building permit and any project with a value of

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\$1,000 or more, including labor and materials. Suspects who submitted estimates for work in the prohibited trades or in excess of the \$1,000 ceiling received contracting without a license citations.

Officers from the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department assisted in the sting.

“The Contractors Board commends homeowners, licensed Nevada contractors and the law-enforcement community for their cooperation as we continue to work toward eliminating unlicensed activity, said NSCB Executive Officer Margi Grein. “Unlicensed contractors are a potential danger to the safety and welfare of the community and unfair, unqualified competition for legitimate contractors.”

The Board encourages anyone who comes across unlicensed contracting activities to report the information to **NSCB’s Unlicensed Contractor Hotline: (702) 486-1160 or (775) 850-7838**. Details to provide the Board, when available, include the unlicensed contractor’s name, address (business and/or physical location where work is being performed), phone number, vehicle description, license plate, business card and/or advertisement, contracts signed by the unlicensed individual, etc.

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