STATE LICENSING BOARD FOR CONTRACTORS

RESIDENTIAL CONTRACTORS SUBCOMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

November 20, 2024

The regular meeting of the Residential Building Contractors Subcommittee was called to order by the Chairman, Elliott Temple, on Wednesday, November 20, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. at 600 North Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Members of the Subcommittee present:

Elliott Temple, Chairman Curtis Joseph, Vice Chairman

Dodie Adams James "Jim" Fine Brandon Golson Travis Manceaux Frank Morse, Jr.

There being a quorum present, the regular order of business was called.

Mr. Fine led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Tanika Starks introduced herself as the hearing officer overseeing these proceedings and addressed the audience and board on the administrative procedures for hearings.

Mr. Joseph made a motion to accept the minutes of the September 18, 2024, Residential Building Subcommittee Meeting. Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

Sean Beavers, Carrie Morgan, Robert Mehrtens, Jarrod Watson, Frank Vaughan, Stephanie Belanger, Lonnie Lusco, and Logan Cockerham with the Enforcement Division for the board were sworn in.

Mr. Joseph called for any public comments; there was no response.

D. ENFORCEMENT HEARINGS:

D.1. a) Interstate Construction & Demolition Group, Inc., Harvey, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1)
LSLBC Case 2024-0050-1

Richard Hebert was present on behalf of INTERSTATE CONSTRUCTION & DEMOLITION GROUP, INC. and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Mr. Hebert entered a not guilty plea. Robert Mehrtens, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Mehrtens reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted with objection from Mr. Hebert noted and overruled. Mr. Hebert questioned Mr. Mehrtens. Mr. Hebert submitted documents into evidence, and they were admitted. Mr. Landreneau objected to the assertion that the document was filed with Jefferson Parish but did not object to the document being entered into evidence. Mr. Hebert made a statement to the board. Mr. Landreneau and the board questioned Mr. Hebert. On motions made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board found INTERSTATE CONSTRUCTION & DEMOLITION GROUP, INC. to be in violation and assessed an administrative penalty of the maximum fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs to be reduced to a \$5,000 fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs provided a license is obtained within 180 days and all outstanding fines paid.

b) <u>BROOKLAND REALTY LLC.</u> Harvey, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2024-0050-02

Richard Hebert was present on behalf of BROOKLAND REALTY LLC and was previously sworn. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Mr. Hebert entered a not guilty plea.

Robert Mehrtens, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Mehrtens reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted with objection from Mr. Hebert noted and overruled. Mr. Hebert made a statement to the board. Mr. Landreneau and the board questioned Mr. Hebert. On motions made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board found BROOKLAND REALTY LLC to be in violation and assessed an administrative penalty of the maximum fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

DEREK CAMPBELL, LaPlace, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2023-1571-01

Derek Campbell was present and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Mr. Campbell entered a not guilty plea. Jarrod Watson, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Watson reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. Mr. Campbell withdrew his not guilty plea and entered a plea of no contest. On motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the plea was accepted. On motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board assessed an administrative penalty of the maximum fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs to be reduced to a \$2,500 fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs provided a license is obtained within 180 days.

CARLOS MELENDEZ D/B/A MELENDEZ CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIRS, Kenner, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2023-1220-01

No one was present on behalf of CARLOS MELENDEZ D/B/A MELENDEZ CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIRS. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Jarrod Watson, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Watson reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. On motions made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board found CARLOS MELENDEZ D/B/A MELENDEZ CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIRS to be in violation and assessed an administrative penalty of the maximum fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

4. <u>KMC HOMES CORPORATION</u>, New Orleans, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2024-0278-01

Homer Charles was present and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Mr. Charles entered a no contest plea. On motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the plea was accepted. Jarrod Watson, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Watson reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. Mr. Charles made a statement to the board. The board questioned Mr. Charles. On motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board assessed an administrative penalty of the maximum fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs to be reduced to a \$1,500 fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs provided a license is obtained within 180 days.

KYLE SIMON, Livingston, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2024-0151-01

No one was present on behalf of KYLE SIMON. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Jarrod Watson, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Watson reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. On motions made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board found KYLE SIMON to be in violation and assessed an administrative penalty of the maximum fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

GOOD OLE BOYS CONSTRUCTION & SERVICES, LLC, Lafayette, Louisiana -La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2024-0185-01

Attorney Theodore Knatt and Jonathan Dugas were present on behalf of GOOD OLE BOYS CONSTRUCTION & SERVICES, LLC. Mr. Dugas was sworn in. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Mr. Dugas entered a no contest plea. On motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the plea was accepted. Robert Mehrtens, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Mehrtens reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. Mr. Dugas made a statement to the board. Mr. Knatt and the board questioned Mr. Dugas. On motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board assessed an administrative penalty of a \$3,000 fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

JOE LAWRENCE CAVALIER D/B/A C & C ROOFING & SHEET METAL, New Orleans, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2024-0191-01

No one was present on behalf of JOE LAWRENCE CAVALIER D/B/A C & C ROOFING & SHEET METAL. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Robert Mehrtens, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Mehrtens reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. On motions made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board found JOE LAWRENCE CAVALIER D/B/A C & C ROOFING & SHEET METAL to be in violation and assessed an administrative penalty of the maximum fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

H PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LLC. Baton Rouge, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A) LSLBC Case 2024-0106-02

No one was present on behalf of H PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LLC. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Robert Mehrtens, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Mehrtens reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. On motions made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board found H PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LLC to be in violation and assessed an administrative penalty of the maximum fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

SHOWTIME CONSTRUCTION & RESTORATION LLC, Lake Charles, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2024-0424-01

Juan De León was present on behalf of SHOWTIME CONSTRUCTION & RESTORATION LLC and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Mr. De León entered a not guilty plea. Jarrod Watson, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Watson reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. Mr. De León made a statement to the board. The board questioned Mr. De León. On motions made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board found SHOWTIME CONSTRUCTION & RESTORATION LLC to be in violation and assessed an administrative penalty of a \$1,000 fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

10. AD CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT, L.L.C., Kenner, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2024-0348-01

No one was present on behalf of AD CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT, L.L.C. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Jarrod Watson, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Watson reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. On motions made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board found AD CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT, L.L.C. to be in violation and assessed an administrative penalty of the maximum fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

11. MICHAEL WILSON D/B/A M.W.W. PAINTING LLC, Geismar, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2023-1562-01

No one was present on behalf of MICHAEL WILSON D/B/A M.W.W. PAINTING LLC. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Jarrod Watson, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Watson reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. On motions made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board found MICHAEL WILSON D/B/A M.W.W. PAINTING LLC to be in violation and assessed an administrative penalty of the maximum fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

12. <u>DAVID MARYLAND</u>, Walker, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2024-0400-01

No one was present on behalf of DAVID MARYLAND. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Jarrod Watson, Investigator, was called to the stand and sworn in. Mr. Watson reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. On motions made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board found DAVID MARYLAND to be in violation and assessed an administrative penalty of the maximum fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

13. <u>R L JOHNSON CONSTRUCTION GROUP LLC.</u> Avondale, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2024-0527-01

Rodney Johnson was present on behalf of R L JOHNSON CONSTRUCTION GROUP LLC and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Mr. Johnson entered a guilty plea. Jarrod Watson, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Watson reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. Mr. Johnson made a statement to the board. The board questioned Mr. Johnson. On motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board assessed an administrative penalty of a \$500 fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

14. RAJUN CAJUN LANDSCAPE & CONSTRUCTION LLC, Metairie, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2024-0550-01

No one was present on behalf of RAJUN CAJUN LANDSCAPE & CONSTRUCTION LLC. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Jarrod Watson, Investigator, was called to the stand and sworn in. Mr. Watson reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. On motions made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board found RAJUN CAJUN LANDSCAPE & CONSTRUCTION LLC to be in violation and assessed an administrative penalty of the maximum fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

15. <u>TIM ALBRITTON</u>, LaPlace, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2024-0426-01

Tim Albritton was present and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Mr. Albritton entered a not guilty plea. Robert Mehrtens, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Mehrtens reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. Mr. Albritton made a statement to the board. The board questioned Mr. Albritton. On motions made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board found TIM ALBRITTON to be in violation and assessed an administrative penalty of the maximum fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs to be reduced to a \$500 fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs provided a license is obtained within 180 days.

CHARLES BUTLER D/B/A ANGELA'S CONSTRUCTION, Lake Charles, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A) LSLBC Case 2024-0051-01

No one was present on behalf of CHARLES BUTLER D/B/A ANGELA'S CONSTRUCTION. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Robert Mehrtens, Investigator, who was previously

sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Mehrtens reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. On motions made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board found CHARLES BUTLER D/B/A ANGELA'S CONSTRUCTION to be in violation and assessed an administrative penalty of the maximum fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

17. <u>BLESSEDHANDS39 LLC</u>, New Orleans, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2024-0434-01

Nolan Lawson was present on behalf of BLESSEDHANDS39 LLC and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Mr. Lawson entered a no contest plea. On motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the plea was accepted. Robert Mehrtens, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Mehrtens reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. The board questioned Mr. Lawson. On motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board assessed an administrative penalty of the maximum fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs to be reduced to \$1,000 in administrative costs only provided a license is obtained within 180 days.

KRISTIE EISEN, Lake Charles, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2024-0530-01

Kristie Eisen was present and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Ms. Eisen entered a no contest plea. On motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the plea was accepted. Frank Vaughan, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Vaughan reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. Ms. Eisen questioned Mr. Vaughan. Mr. Landreneau and the board questioned Ms. Eisen. On motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board assessed an administrative penalty of a \$2,500 fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

19. NOVAE'S CONSTRUCTION, LLC, Arabi, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2023-1334-02

No one was present on behalf of NOVAE'S CONSTRUCTION, LLC. Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations. Stephanie Belanger, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Ms. Belanger reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. On motions made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board found NOVAE'S CONSTRUCTION, LLC to be in violation and assessed an administrative penalty of the maximum fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

20. PROFESSIONAL ROOF APPLICATORS, INC., Broussard, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.3(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2023-1114-01

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by PROFESSIONAL ROOF APPLICATORS, INC. Robert Mehrtens, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand and reviewed the exhibit packet. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. On motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board accepted the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea.

21. KYLE CROUCHET D/B/A LKC DEVELOPMENT, Mandeville, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2023-1642-01

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by KYLE CROUCHET D/B/A LKC DEVELOPMENT. Robert Mehrtens, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand and reviewed the exhibit packet. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. On motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board accepted the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea.

22. <u>DANNY YOUNG D/B/A YOUNG AND SONS ASPHALT AND PAVING</u>, Texarkana, Arkansas – La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1)
LSLBC Case 2023-1540-01

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by DANNY YOUNG D/B/A YOUNG AND SONS ASPHALT AND PAVING. Robert Mehrtens, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand and reviewed the exhibit packet. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. On motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board accepted the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea.

23. <u>BNL & Co LLC</u>, Starks, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A) LSLBC Case 2024-0205-01

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by BNL & CO LLC. Robert Mehrtens, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand and reviewed the exhibit packet. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. On motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board accepted the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea.

24. <u>BNL & Co LLC</u>, Starks, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A) LSLBC Case 2024-0347-01

Ms. Morgan gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by BNL & CO LLC. Robert Mehrtens, Investigator, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand and reviewed the exhibit packet. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packet into evidence, and it was admitted. On motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board accepted the settlement offer as presented, which included a no contest plea.

E. STATUTORY CITATIONS:

- 1. <u>BUILT RIGHT RENOVATIONS, L.L.C.</u>, Baton Rouge, Louisiana La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2023-1534-01
- JAYSON SUMMERS, Lafayette, Louisiana La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2023-1599-01
- 3. CHAMPION CONSTRUCTION GROUP, LLC, New Orleans, Louisiana La. R.S. 37:2167(A) LSLBC Case 2024-0028-01
- 4. HOPE FIELD CONSTRUCTION LLC. Sulphur, Louisiana La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2024-0380-01
- FRANTOM WORKS INC, Baton Rouge, Louisiana La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(6) and Rules and Regulations of the Board Section 133(A) LSLBC Case 2024-0398-01
- JOSEPH PIERRE DUBROCK, Pineville, Louisiana La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2023-1283-01
- 7. MARIGNY DEVELOPMENT, LLC, New Orleans, Louisiana La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2022-0380-01
- ALEX CROCHET D/B/A AJC HANDYMAN/CONSTRUCTION, West Monroe, Louisiana La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1)
 LSLBC Case 2023-1385-01
- 9. PRESTIGE FLOORING COMPANY, INC., Jefferson, Louisiana La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1) LSLBC Case 2023-1334-03

Mr. Landreneau presented the statutory citations in globo. Sean Beavers, Enforcement Director, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Landreneau entered the exhibit packets into evidence, and they were admitted. On motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board accepted the citations as presented.

F. REQUEST FOR REHEARING:

1. <u>JULIAN E. RODRIGUEZ-VILLA D/B/A JR QUALITY BUILDERS LLC.</u> Gonzales, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167(A)

LSLBC Case 2023-1650-01

No one was present on behalf of JULIAN E. RODRIGUEZ-VILLA D/B/A JR QUALITY BUILDERS LLC. Carrie Morgan, Administrative Manager, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Landreneau questioned Ms. Morgan regarding notice of this hearing. Ms. Morgan confirmed notice was received. On motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the rehearing was denied.

G. Consideration of additional classifications for residential licenses as listed and attached to the agenda. (Page 6)

Ms. Adams made a motion to approve the additional classifications for residential licenses as listed on the agenda, and Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed.

H. Consideration of residential applications as listed and attached to the agenda. (Pages 7-14)

Ms. Adams made a motion to approve the new residential applications as listed on the agenda, and Mr. Joseph seconded. The motion passed.

I. Consideration of home improvement applications as listed and attached to the agenda. (Pages 15-20)

Ms. Adams made a motion to approve the new home improvement registration applications as listed on the agenda, and Mr. Joseph seconded. The motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Joseph made a motion to adjourn at 11:28 a.m., and Mr. Morse seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Elliott Temple, Chairman

Curtis Joseph, Vice Chairman