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**STATE CONTRACTORS BOARD**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

**January 9, 2008**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Hearing Officer Margaret Cavin called the meeting of the State Contractors Board to order at 9:03 a.m., Wednesday January 9, 2008, State Contractors Board Reno, Nevada. Exhibit A is the Meeting Agenda and Exhibit B is the Sign In Log.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Ms. Margaret Cavin  
Mr. Michael Efstratis  
Mr. Jerry Higgins

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mr. Gary Hoid, Deputy Director of Investigations  
Mr. George J. Lyford, Director of Investigations

**LEGAL COUNSEL PRESENT:**

Mr. David Brown, Esq., Legal Counsel  
Mr. Bruce Robb, Esq., Legal Counsel

The agenda was posted in compliance with the open meeting law December 28, 2007 at Reno City Hall, Washoe County Court House and Washoe County Library. The agenda was also posted in both offices of the Board, Henderson and Reno and on the Board Internet Website.

**ADJUDICATING BOARD MEMBER: MARGARET CAVIN**

**1. DISCIPLINARY HEARING-DEFAULT ORDER:**  
**FORD & SONS FLOOR COMPANY, LICENSE NO. 55452**

Licensee was not present.

The following Agency Exhibit was entered:

Exhibit 1 – Board Hearing File

**Hearing Officer Cavin found Respondent Walt Lee Ford, Owner dba Ford & Sons Floor Company in default and adopted the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as set forth in the Administrative complaint. Licensee was found guilty of NRS 624.3013(5) as required in NRS 624.263(3) failure to notify the Board of the Bankruptcy; NRS 624.302(6) failure to comply with a written request; NRS 624.3013(3) failure to establish financial responsibility. License number 55452 was Revoked. Respondent shall reimburse the Board for any claims and associated expenses that may be paid to claimants from the Residential Recovery Fund.**

**2. SUMMARY SUSPENSIONS:**  
**PATIO DESIGNS BY CHARLES, INC., LICENSE NO. 60511**

Pursuant to the provisions of NRS 624.291(4) in the interest of the public health, safety and welfare, the license of Patio Designs by Charles, Inc., license number 60511 was summarily suspended.

**GARTH MERRILL dba STARMARK CONSTRUCTION, LICENSE NO. 50560**

Pursuant to the provisions of NRS 624.291(4) in the interest of the public health, safety and welfare, the license of Garth Merrill dba Starmark Construction, license number 50560 was summarily suspended.

**WATER CREATIONS LTD, LICENSE NO. 49447**

Licensee was present.

Pursuant to the provisions of NRS 624.291(4) in the interest of the public health, safety and welfare, the license of Water Creations, Ltd., license number 49447 was summarily suspended.

**3. DISCIPLINARY HEARING**  
**SPRIET & SONS EXCAVATING, LICENSE NO. 39746**

Licensee was not present.

The following Agency Exhibits were entered:

- Exhibit 1 – Board Hearing File
- Exhibit 2 – Letter from Kathy Plummer dated December 21, 2007
- Exhibit 3 – Bankruptcy document

Hearing Officer Cavin found Respondent Frank Wayne Spriet, Owner of Spriet & Sons Excavating, license number 39746 guilty of violating NRS 624.301(2) abandonment of a construction project when the percentage of the project completed in less than the percentage of the total price of the contract paid; NRS 624.3012(2) failure to pay for materials and services; NRS 624.3013(5), as set forth in NAC 624.640(5) each licensee shall include in all bids he submits or contracts he enters into for construction work within this State, the number of his license and any monetary limit placed upon his license; NRS 624.302(6) failure or refusal to comply with a written request by the Board for information or records; NRS 624.3015(1) acting in the capacity of a contractor beyond the scope of the license; NRS 624.3015(4)(b) constructing or repairing a mobile home, manufactured home or commercial coach, while the contractor: (a) is not licensed pursuant to NRS 489.311 or (b) did not own, lease or rent the mobile home, manufactured home or commercial coach; NRS 624.3013(3) failure to establish financial responsibility. License number 39746 was Revoked. Licensee shall not reapply for relicensure for a five (5) year period; and licensee shall reimburse the Board for any claims and associated expenses that may be paid to claimants from the Residential Recovery Fund.

**4. DISCIPLINARY HEARING:**  
**ADVANCED CONSTRUCTION, LICENSE NO. 46361**

Licensee was present.

The following Agency Exhibits were entered:

- Exhibit 1 – Board Hearing File
- Exhibit 2 – Bids from Hubbell
- Exhibit 3 – Bids from Braband

Hearing Officer Cavin found Respondent Youness Ghavanti, Owner of Advanced Construction, license number 46361 guilty of violating NRS 624.3011(1)(a) disregard of plans and specifications; NRS 624.3017(1) substandard workmanship; NRS 624.3013(5), as set forth in NRS 624.700(3)(a) failure to comply with the Board's Notice to Correct; NRS 624.3013(3) failure to establish financial responsibility. License number 46361 was Revoked. Respondent was ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$16,637.00 to the Hubbells; and \$25,000.00 to the Brabands. A fine of \$1,000.00 each for the First, Second Third and Sixth Causes of Action for a total fine of \$4,000.00; and investigative costs of \$2,017.00 were assessed. Any claims and associated expenses that may be paid to claimants from the Residential Recovery Fund shall be reimbursed to the Board. If Respondent applies for licensure in the future, all fines and investigative costs must be paid in full. The Fourth and Fifth Causes of Action were dismissed.

**5. DISCIPLINARY HEARING:**  
**JALUMO CONSTRUCTION, LICENSE NOS. 66521**

Licensee was present with Joan C. Wright, Esq.

The following Agency Exhibit was entered:

Exhibit 1 – Board Hearing File

Hearing Officer Cavin found Respondent LeeDavid Conver, Owner of Jalumo Construction, license number 66521 guilty of violating NRS 624.3013(5), as set forth in NAC 624.640(5) each licensee shall include in all bids he submits or contracts he enters into for construction work within this State, the number of his license and any monetary limit placed upon his license; NRS 624.3016(6) failure to comply with NRS 624.600 which requires disclosures by general building contractors; NRS 624.3013(5), as set forth in NRS 624.520(1) failure to provide Residential Recovery Fund Notice to owner. A Letter of Reprimand will be placed in the license file for a period of two (2) years. The First, Second, Third, Fourth and Eighth Causes of Action were dismissed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by Hearing Officer Cavin at 12:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Sandy Diederich, Recording Secretary

APPROVED:

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Margi A. Grein, Executive Officer

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Margaret Cavin, Hearing Officer