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## SIX CONTRACTORS DISCIPLINED BY CONTRACTORS BOARD

(*Reno, NV*) – At its meeting on Oct. 7, 2009, the Nevada State Contractors Board adjudicated cases involving six contractors.

*Meredith Construction*, license number 66847 (Residential & Small Commercial) based out of Sparks, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with the Board's notice to correct; failure to provide the name, license number, business address and telephone number of all subcontractors on the project; and acting in the capacity of a contractor beyond the scope of the license. The licensee was fined \$4,000; ordered to pay investigative costs and ordered to make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund, plus fines and investigative costs. The license was revoked.

Affordable Landscaping, license number 50438A (Landscaping) based out of Sparks, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with the Board's notice to correct; failure to include the Residential Recovery Fund information on a contract or proposal; failure to include the monetary license limit and license number on a contract or proposal; failure to keep in force a bond or cash deposit; and failure to establish financial responsibility. The licensee was fined \$2,850; ordered to pay investigative costs and ordered to make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund, plus fines and investigative costs. The license was revoked.

C R Carpets & Flooring, Inc., license number 52916 (Covering Floors and Carpet Laying), based out of Fernley, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to establish financial responsibility. The licensee was fined \$1,000; ordered to pay investigative costs and ordered to make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund, plus fines and investigative costs. The license was revoked.

Daniel Barrett Ritz, dba D R Construction, license numbers 70565 and 67458 (Residential & Small Commercial and Carpentry), based out of Hawthorne, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for abandonment; failure to comply with the terms of a contract; failure to prosecute a construction project with reasonable diligence; failure to comply with the Board's notice to correct; failure to include the Residential Recovery Fund information on a contract or proposal; failure to include the monetary license limit and license number on a contract or proposal; failure to provide the name, license number, business address and telephone number of all subcontractors on the project; failure to comply with the terms of a construction contract, thereby causing material injury to another; failure to pay money due for materials or services; and failure to establish financial responsibility. The licensee was fined \$5,100; ordered to pay investigative costs and make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund, plus fines and investigative costs. The licenses were revoked.

Bella Terra Professional Landscaping Services, LLC., license number 69623 (Landscaping), based out of Reno, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with the Board's notice to correct; failure to include the Residential Recovery Fund information on a contract or proposal; failure to include the monetary license limit and license number on a contract or proposal; failure to establish financial responsibility; acting in the capacity of a contractor beyond the scope of the license; abandonment; committing a fraudulent or deceitful act; and failure to respond to a written request from the Board. The licensee was fined \$10,400; ordered to pay investigative costs and make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund, plus fines and investigative costs. The license was revoked.

Stillwater Enterprises, Inc., license numbers 60095, 60664, 68006 and 68007 (Tiling, Install Terazzo & Marble, Concrete Contracting and Landscaping) based out of Fallon, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to establish financial responsibility; failure to comply with a written request from the Board and failure to respond to a written request from the Board. The licensee was ordered to pay investigative costs and make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund, plus fines and investigative costs. The licenses were revoked.

\*\*The Business Review Program is one in which a contractor's business practices and regulatory compliance is examined by NSCB investigative staff. The program is a part of NSCB's proactive investigative efforts.

The Nevada State Contractors Board is committed to protecting the public's health, safety, and welfare through licensing and regulation of the construction industry. Under Nevada Revised Statutes, a licensee is subject to disciplinary action by the Board for failure to comply with the requirements of the laws or regulations governing contractors. Violations may result in Board action against the contractor's license. The State Contractors Board has the power to regulate contractors and discipline licensees who violate NRS 624. Disciplinary action may consist of a fine of up to \$10,000 per offense, order corrective action, suspension, revocation or other action.