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Use your licensed name when doing business

It is required by the Louisiana State Licensing Board for Contractors (LSLBC) Rules and Regulations, Section 109, that a contractor must conduct business in the properly licensed name. This means that bids must be submitted in the name as it appears on the license and the licensed name must appear on written contracts. To do otherwise is a violation which subjects the contractor to a fine, suspension or revocation of the license.

Before the LSLBC can issue a license to a company, the company must be registered with the Secretary of State as a legal entity.

If you are licensed in your personal name, you may submit bids using a DBA (“doing business as”) as long as the properly licensed name is used. For example, if I am licensed as Bob Smith, I must bid as Bob Smith, but may legally add Bob Smith DBA Smith Construction. However, to submit a bid as Smith Construction would be a violation. In this scenario, the contractor risks losing the job and being fined by the Board.

Doing business in your properly licensed name means just that, your bids, contracts, invoices and even your signage should all reflect the name as it appears on your license.

“Properly licensed and qualified contractors...It’s the Law!”

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