



SYDNEY ELIAS NELSON was present and was sworn in. Mr. Nelson gave a statement and affirmed that there was a lapse in insurance coverage. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to suspend the license back to the date of last insurance coverage, to issue a cease and desist order, assess \$250 in administrative cost, and to allow the company's license/registration to be reissued upon proof of insurance coverage. Mr. Ward seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Tony Stelly was present on behalf of STELLY HOMES L.L.C. and was sworn in. Mr. Stelly gave a statement and affirmed that there was a lapse in insurance coverage. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to suspend the license back to the date of last insurance coverage, to issue a cease and desist order, assess \$250 in administrative cost, and to allow the company's license/registration to be reissued upon proof of insurance coverage. Mr. Ward seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

No one was present on behalf of ANTHONY L. CHAI; MARJET SERVICES, L.L.C.; MODEL CONSTRUCTION GROUP, L.L.C. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to suspend the license or registration of the aforementioned companies and individuals back to the date of last insurance coverage allowing staff to reinstate the license or registration if proof of no lapse is provided, to issue a cease and desist order, to assess a fine of \$500 plus \$500 in administrative cost, and to allow the company's license/registration to be reissued upon proof of insurance coverage. Ms. Gibson seconded, and the motion passed.

**D. COMPLIANCE HEARINGS:**

1. **EMANUEL PARKER D/B/A EMANUEL'S HOME IMPROVEMENT**, New Orleans, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167 (A)

Mr. Rawls gave a summary of the allegations. Emanuel Parker was present on behalf of EMANUEL PARKER D/B/A EMANUEL'S HOME IMPROVEMENT and was sworn in. Mr. Parker admitted to the violation. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Parker gave a statement. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to assess a fine of \$3000 plus \$1000 administrative cost, to issue a cease and desist order, and to allow the fine to be reduced to \$1000 plus \$1000 in administrative costs if Mr. Parker obtains a license/registration within 120 days. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed.

2. **PRECISION BUILDERS AND DESIGN, LLC**, New Orleans, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167 (A)

Mr. Rawls gave a summary of the allegations. Robert Lauer was present on behalf of PRECISION BUILDERS AND DESIGN, LLC and was sworn in. Homeowners Susan Davis and Sue Taylor were present and were sworn in. Mr. Lauer admitted to the violation. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Lauer gave a statement. Ms. Davis and Ms. Taylor provided testimony to the board. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to find PRECISION BUILDERS AND DESIGN, LLC to be in violation. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Wyman made a motion to assess a fine of \$3000 plus \$1000 administrative costs, to allow the fine to be reduced to \$500 plus \$1000 administrative costs if the company obtains a license within 90 days, to issue a cease and desist order, and to require Mr. Lauer to take the Business and Law and Residential Building Contractor exams within 90 days. Mr. Ward seconded. The motion passed.

3. **A-1 PORTER CONSTRUCTION AND RENOVATIONS, LLC**, New Orleans, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.2 (A)(1)

Mr. Rawls gave a summary of the allegations. Shawn Porter was present on behalf of A-1 PORTER CONSTRUCTION AND RENOVATIONS, LLC and was sworn in. Mr. Porter entered a denial plea. Investigator Carl Bourque was called to the stand and was sworn in. Mr. Bourque reviewed the exhibit packet. Ms. Sims entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Porter gave a statement. Mr. Porter changed his initial denial plea to a no contest plea. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Wyman made a motion to assess a fine of \$1000 plus \$1000 administrative costs, to allow the fine to be reduced to \$500 plus \$500 administrative costs if the company obtains a license/registration within 90 days, and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Castjohn seconded. The motion passed.

4. **CROOKS BROTHERS BUILDING AND REPAIR, LLC**, Jonesville, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.2 (A)(1)

Mr. Rawls gave a summary of the allegations and read the settlement offer presented by CROOKS BROTHERS BUILDING AND REPAIR, LLC. Mr. Wyman made a motion to counteroffer to amend the offer for the amount to be entirely for administrative costs and to accept the no contest plea. Mr. Castjohn seconded. The motion passed.

5. **DL METAL WORK, LLC**, Baton Rouge, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.2 (A)(1)

Mr. Rawls gave a summary of the allegations. Dennis Lathers was present on behalf of DL METAL WORK, LLC and was sworn in. Mr. Lathers entered a no contest plea. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to assess a fine of \$1000 plus \$1000 in administrative costs, to allow the fine to be waived and reduce the administrative costs to \$500 if the company obtains a registration within 90 days, and to issue the cease and desist order.

6. **EDDIE HANCOCK D/B/A YEAR ROUND CONSTRUCTION, LLC**, Slidell, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.2 (A)(1)

Mr. Rawls gave a summary of the allegations. No one was present on behalf of EDDIE HANCOCK D/B/A YEAR ROUND CONSTRUCTION, LLC. Investigator Dylan Bourg was called to the stand and was sworn in. Mr. Bourg reviewed the exhibit packet. Ms. Sims entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to find EDDIE HANCOCK D/B/A YEAR ROUND CONSTRUCTION, LLC to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administration costs, and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed.

7. **ERWIN SAM**, Jeanerette, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.2 (A)(1)

Mr. Rawls gave a summary of the allegations. ERWIN SAM was present and was sworn in. Mr. Sam entered a no contest plea. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Sam gave a statement. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to assess a fine of \$3000 plus \$1000 in administrative costs, to allow the fine to be reduced to \$1000 plus \$1000 in administrative costs if the individual obtains a license within 120 days, and to issue a cease and desist order. Ms. Gibson seconded. The motion passed.

8. **LA. SIDING & WINDOW CO., LLC**, Prairieville, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.2 (A)(1)

Mr. Rawls stated that the company has requested a continuance. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to approve the request for a continuance for the April meeting. Mr. Ward seconded. The motion passed.

9. **MATTHEWZ HOME PRO CONSTRUCTION, LLC**, Avondale, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.2 (A)(1)

Mr. Rawls gave a summary of the allegations. Michael Matthews was present on behalf of MATTHEWZ HOME PRO CONSTRUCTION, LLC and was sworn in. Mr. Matthews admitted to the violation. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to accept the guilty plea. Mr. Ward seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Matthews gave a statement. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to assess a fine of \$3000 plus \$1000 in administrative costs, to allow the fine only to be waived if the company obtains a license/registration within 120 days, and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed.

E. **STATUTORY CITATIONS:**

Mr. Rawls presented the statutory citations. Ms. Gibson made a motion to accept the statutory citations as presented. Mr. Castjohn seconded. The motion passed.

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### **F. COMPLIANCE HEARING(S)/CONTINUANCES:**

1. **ACTION INVESTMENT GROUP, LLC**, Sorrento, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2167 (A), 2175.2 (A)(1), 2175.3 (A)(5)

Mr. Rawls gave a summary of the allegations. Attorney Steven Watterson was present on behalf of ACTION INVESTMENT GROUP, LLC. Mr. Watterson entered a no contest plea. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Watterson gave a statement. Mr. Wyman made a motion to assess a fine of \$1000 plus \$1000 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Castjohn seconded. The motion passed.

2. **PAUL LEBLANC,** Opelousas, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.2 (A)(1)

Mr. Rawls gave a summary of the allegations. PAUL LEBLANC was not present. Investigator Carl Bourque, who was previously sworn in, was called to the stand and reviewed the exhibit packet. Ms. Sims entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to find PAUL LEBLANC to be in violation, to assess the maximum fine plus \$1000 in administrative costs, to issue a cease and desist order, and to refer the matter to the Department of Insurance and the local District Attorney's office. Mr. Ward seconded. The motion passed.

3. **PREFERRED STORM CONTRACTORS, INC.,** Ponchatoula, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.2 (A)(1)

Mr. Rawls gave a summary of the allegations. Attorney Gair Oldenburg was present on behalf of PREFERRED STORM CONTRACTORS, INC. Mr. Oldenburg entered a no contest plea. Mr. Ward made a motion to accept the plea. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Oldenburg gave a statement. Mr. Oldenburg presented a settlement offer to the board in writing and it was admitted. Mr. Castjohn made a counteroffer of \$500 in administrative costs and to issue a cease and desist. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed.

### **G. REQUEST FOR REHEARINGS/RECONSIDERATIONS:**

1. **DEPENDABLE FENCE, LLC**, Madisonville, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.2 (A)(1)

Mr. Rawls gave a summary of the allegations. Vincent Catanzaro was present on behalf of DEPENDABLE FENCE, LLC and was sworn in. Mr. Catanzaro addressed the board regarding the rehearing request. Mr. Wyman made a motion to rehear this matter. Mr. Castjohn seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Catanzaro admitted to the violation. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to accept the guilty plea. Mr. Ward seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Catanzaro gave a statement. Mr. Wyman made a motion to assess a fine of \$1000 plus \$1000 in administrative costs, to allow the fine only to be waived if the company obtains a license/registration within 90 days, to issue a cease and desist order, and to require Mr. Catanzaro to take and pass the Business and Law exam within 90 days. Mr. Ward seconded. The motion passed.

2. **ARCHITECTURAL ROOFING & HOME RENOVATIONS, LLC**, Chalmette, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2175.2 (A)(1); 2175.3(A)(2)

Mr. Rawls made a request on behalf of ARCHITECTURAL ROOFING & HOME RENOVATIONS, LLC to move this item to the end of the agenda. The request was approved. While item G.3. was recessed the board returned to this matter. Mr. Ward made a motion deny today's rehearing request but to allow the company to request a rehearing for the April meeting. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed. Upon the conclusion of item G.3., Brandon Winstead on behalf of ARCHITECTURAL ROOFING & HOME RENOVATIONS, LLC made an appearance. Mr. Winstead was sworn in and addressed the board regarding the rehearing request. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to rehear this matter. Mr. Ward seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Rawls gave a summary of the allegations. Mr. Winstead entered a denial plea for both allegations. Investigator Carl Bourque, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand and reviewed the exhibit packet. Ms. Sims entered the exhibit packet into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Winstead questioned Mr. Bourque regarding the exhibit packet. Mr. Winstead presented exhibits to the board and they

were admitted. Ms. Sims entered into evidence the recording of the January 13, 2016 Residential Meeting where the homeowner was present and provided testimony. Mr. Winstead questioned Mr. Bourque regarding the second violation, La. R.S. 2175.3(A)(2). Mr. Winstead entered a Notice of Appeal document into evidence and it was admitted. Mr. Winstead gave a closing statement. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to dismiss the second violation, La. R.S. 2175.3(A)(2). Mr. Ward seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to find ARCHITECTURAL ROOFING & HOME RENOVATIONS, LLC to be guilty of the first violation, La. R.S. 37:2175.2 (A)(1). Mr. Ward seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to assess a fine of \$2500 plus \$1000 in administrative costs, to allow the fine to be reduced to \$500 plus \$500 in administrative costs if the company obtains a registration in 90 days, and to issue a cease and desist order. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed.

3. **GREEN LEAF CUSTOM HOMES, LLC**, Baton Rouge, Louisiana – La. R.S. 37:2158 (A)(9); 2158 (A)(3) and Rules and Regulations Section 113(A)

Mr. Rawls gave a summary of the allegations. Attorney Nancy Richeaux and owner David Albrecht were present on behalf of GREEN LEAF CUSTOM HOMES, LLC. Mr. Albrecht was sworn in. Homeowners Lisa Stelly, Kathryn Rogacki, Tiffany Sicard and Cathi Williamson were present and were sworn in. Ms. Richeaux gave a statement. Ms. Sicard provided testimony to the board. Ms. Richeaux entered exhibit packets to the board and they were admitted. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to recess this matter until the end of the agenda. Mr. Ward seconded. The motion passed. After the remaining agenda items were heard. Mr. Castjohn made a motion to reconvene this matter. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed. Ms. Richeaux gave a statement. Investigator Brent Templet was called to the stand and was sworn in. Mr. Templet provided testimony to the board. Mr. Rawls was called to the stand and was sworn in. Mr. Rawls provided testimony to the board. Ms. Sicard provided additional testimony to the board. The Board, counsel, Mr. Albrecht, and the homeowners continued to discuss this matter. Mr. Ward made a motion for GREEN LEAF CUSTOM HOMES, LLC to submit a written agreement to correct or enter into a plan to correct the problems cited at the October 14, 2015 meeting signed by Mr. Albrecht and/or counsel and each of the homeowners and/or their counsel by the March 16, 2016 Residential Meeting. If these items are not adhered to by March 16, 2016 the matter will be heard at the March 16, 2016 Residential Meeting. If these items are adhered to by March 16, 2016 the matter will be heard at the April 20, 2016 Residential Meeting. The probation requirements from the October 14, 2015 will continue and the company can not bid or contract on any new project until March 16, 2016. Also, Mr. Albrecht is required to take and pass the Residential Building Contractors exam by March 16, 2016. Mr. Castjohn seconded. The motion passed.

#### H. CONSIDERATION OF LICENSURE EXEMPTIONS:

Ms. Gibson made a motion to approve the exemptions as listed on the agenda with the exception of MCMILLIAN & HOLDEN, LLC. Mr. Castjohn seconded. The motion passed.

- I. Consideration of additional classifications for residential licenses as listed and attached to the agenda. (Page 5)

Ms. Gibson made a motion to approve the additional classifications for residential licenses as listed on the agenda. Mr. Wyman seconded. The motion passed.

- J. Consideration of new applications for residential building construction license to be approved pending as listed on the agenda. (Pages 6-8)

Ms. Gibson made a motion to approve the new residential building license applications as listed on the agenda. Mr. Castjohn seconded. The motion passed.

- K. Consideration of new applications for home improvement registration as listed on the agenda. (Pages 9-11)

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Castjohn made a motion to adjourn at 1:01 p.m., and Mr. Ward seconded. The motion passed.

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Kenneth W. Jones, Chairman

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Lee Mallett, Vice Chairman