

STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
BUREAU OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSING
BOARD OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDERS AND
MAINTENANCE AND ALTERATION CONTRACTORS

In the Matter of

RICHARD PAUL BAUM, D/B/A HI TECH
HOMES BY RICHARD BAUM
License No. 21-01-082844,
Respondent.

File No. 21-14-320670
Docket No. 17-002297

FINAL ORDER

On October 14, 2014, the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs executed a Formal Complaint charging Respondent with violating MCL 339.604(c), 339.2411(2)(a) and 339.2411(2)(j).

An administrative hearing was held in this matter before an administrative law judge who, on May 10, 2017, issued a Hearing Report setting forth Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

The Michigan Board of Residential Builders and Maintenance and Alteration Contractors (Board), having reviewed the administrative record, considered this matter at a regularly scheduled meeting held in Lansing, Michigan on June 13, 2017, and received the administrative law judge's Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law in the Hearing Report. Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that for violating MCL 339.604(c), 339.2411(2)(a), and 339.2411(2)(j), Respondent's license to practice as an individual builder in the state of Michigan is REVOKED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that reinstatement of a license which has been revoked is not automatic and, in the event Respondent applies for reinstatement of the license, application shall be in accordance with MCL 339.411(5).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, in accordance with MCL 339.411(3)(c), 339.602(c), and 339.604(k), no application for licensure, renewal, relicensure, or reinstatement shall be granted until all final orders of the Board have been satisfied in full.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent is FINED \$10,000.00 to be paid to the State of Michigan within 90 days from the effective date of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the fine shall be mailed to the **Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Enforcement Division, Compliance Section, P.O. Box 30189, Lansing, MI 48909**. The fine shall be paid by check or money order made payable to the State of Michigan, and the check or money order shall clearly display file number **21-14-320670**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent shall pay RESTITUTION in the amount of \$33,948.65 to Christina A. Schaffer within 90 days from the effective date of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent shall submit satisfactory written evidence of payment of the ordered restitution to the **Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Enforcement Division, Compliance Section, P.O. Box 30670, Lansing, MI 48909.**

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in the event Respondent violates any provision of this Order, the Board may proceed to take disciplinary action pursuant to MCL 339.604(k).

This Final Order is a public record required to be published and made available to the public pursuant to the Michigan Freedom of Information Act, MCL 15.231 *et seq.*

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order shall be effective on the date signed by the Chairperson of the Board or authorized representative, as set forth below.

Dated: 07/10/2007

**MICHIGAN BOARD OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDERS AND
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By: Kim Gaedeke
Kim Gaedeke, Director
Bureau of Professional Licensing