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

NREC NIKAJ, QUALIFYING OFFICER License No. 21-01-172625, Respondent.

Docket No. 17-008421 File No. 21-16-328540

AND

HOMECRAFT BUILDING, INC. License No. 21-02-206093, Respondent. Docket No. 17-008422 File No. 21-16-328515

FINAL ORDER

On March 1, 2017, the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (Department) executed a First Superseding Formal Complaint charging Respondents with violating the Occupational Code, MCL 339.101 *et seq*.

An administrative hearing was held in this matter before an administrative law judge who, on June 30, 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 September 12, 2017, and received the administrative law judge's Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law in the Hearing Report.

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IT IS ORDERED that for violating MCL 339.604(c), and 339.2411(2)(a),

Respondent Homecraft Building, Inc.'s license to practice as a residential builder

company in the state of Michigan is SUSPENDED for a minimum period of one day,

commencing on the effective date of this Order. Respondent Nrec Nikaj's license to

practice as an individual residential builder remains suspended pursuant to the Final

Order dated July 10, 2017.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent Homecraft Building, Inc.'s

license shall be automatically reinstated IF WITHIN 90 DAYS FROM THE EFFECTIVE

DATE OF THIS ORDER, Respondent pays the fine and provides proof of payment of the

restitution, in a form acceptable to the Department, as set forth below, PROVIDED all

final orders of the Board are satisfied in full and Respondent meets all requirements for

MCL 339.2405.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent Nrec Nikaj is FINED

\$5,000.00 to be paid to the State of Michigan within 90 days from the effective date of this

Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent Homecraft Building, Inc., is

FINED \$5,000.00 to be paid to the State of Michigan within 90 days from the effective

date of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the fines shall be mailed to the

Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Enforcement Division,

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Compliance Section, P.O. Box 30189, Lansing, MI 48909. The fines shall be paid by

checks or money orders made payable to the State of Michigan. The check or money

order for Respondent Nrec Nikaj shall clearly display file number 21-16-328540 and the

check or money order for Respondent Homecraft Building, Inc., shall clearly display file

number 21-16-328515.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondents shall pay RESTITUTION,

jointly and severally, in the amount of \$11,128.00 to

within 90 days from

the effective date of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondents 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 Respondents fail to pay the

fines and restitution as set forth above within 90 days, Respondents' licenses to practice

as an individual residential builder and a residential builder company shall be REVOKED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Final Order dated July 10, 2017, in file

number 21-16-329643 regarding Respondent Nrec Nikaj, remains in full effect.

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.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in the event Respondents violate 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.

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MICHIGAN BOARD OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDERS AND MAINTENANCE AND ALTERATION CONTRACTORS

By: _

Kim Gaedeke, Director

Bureau of Professional Licensing

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and

NREC NIKAJ,

QUALIFYING OFFICER

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FIRST SUPERSEDING FORMAL COMPLAINT

The Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (Department) by Kim Gaedeke, Director, Bureau of Professional Licensing, files this Complaint against Homecraft Building Inc. and Nrec Nikaj (Respondents) as follows:

The Michigan Board of Residential Builders and Maintenance and 1. Alteration Contractors (Board) is an administrative agency established by the Occupational Code, MCL 339.101 et seq. Pursuant to section 602 of the Occupational Code, supra, the Board is empowered to penalize licensees for violations of the Occupational Code.

Respondent Homecraft Building Inc. is licensed as a residential 2. builder company. Respondent Nrec Nikaj is licensed as an individual residential builder

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and is designated as the qualifying officer of Homecraft Building Inc., and, therefore,

pursuant to section 2405(1) the Occupational Code, supra, is responsible for exercising

the supervision or control of the building or construction operations necessary to secure

full compliance with the Occupational Code and the rules promulgated under the

Occupational Code, supra.

3. On February 13, 2014, Respondents, doing business as 24 Hour

Emergency Services LLC, entered into a contract with Mc Mc (Homeowner) for

restoration and repair construction services due to fire damage. A copy of the contract,

marked Exhibit A, is attached and incorporated.

4. On March 23, 2016, a building inspector for Wayne County cited the

following violations of the 2009 Michigan Residential Code:

a. No plumbing permit has been issued. Permit is

required, contrary to R105.1.

b. One floor joist in basement charred – replace

and seal wood, contrary to R109.4.

The inspector also noted the project appeared to be abandoned. A copy of the Building

Inspection Report, marked Exhibit B, is attached and incorporated.

5. On December 28, 2015, the Homeowner filed a Statement of

Complaint with the Department alleging, in part, that Respondents breached the

construction contract and abandoned the project.

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COUNT I

Respondents' conduct, as described above, evidences a failure to maintain

standards of construction in accordance with the local building code, contrary to Mich

Admin Code, R 338.1551(5), in violation of section 604(c) of the Occupational Code,

<u>supra</u>.

<u>COUNT II</u>

Respondents' conduct, as described above, evidences abandonment

without legal excuse of a contract, construction project, or operation engaged in or

undertaken by the licensee, contrary to section 2411(2)(a) of the Occupational Code,

supra.

Complainant requests that this Complaint be served upon Respondent and

that Respondent be offered an opportunity to show compliance with all lawful

requirements for retention of the license(s). If compliance is not shown, the Department

further requests that formal proceedings be commenced pursuant to the Occupational

Code, rules promulgated thereunder, and the Administrative Procedures Act of 1969,

MCL 24.201 et seq.

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Pursuant to section 508(2) of the Occupational Code, <u>supra</u>, Respondent has 15 days from the date of receipt of this Complaint to notify the Department of Respondent's decision to either negotiate a settlement of this matter, to demonstrate compliance with the Occupational Code, or to request an administrative hearing. Written notification of Respondent's selection shall be submitted to Kim Gaedeke, Director, Bureau of Professional Licensing, Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, P.O. Box 30670, Lansing, MI 48909. If Respondent fails to submit written notification within 15 days, this matter shall proceed to an administrative hearing.

Dated: <u>03/01/2</u>*17

(im Gaedeke, Director

Bureau of Professional Licensing

Attachments

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