## 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

RONALD GENE HOUSMAN, JR. License No. 21-01-205496 Respondent.

File No. 21-14-325391

### CONSENT ORDER

On November 6, 2015, the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Professional Licensing, executed a Formal Complaint charging Respondent with violating the Occupational Code, MCL 339.101 *et seq*.

Respondent neither admits nor denies the allegations in the Complaint but, pursuant to the principle of settlement and compromise, agrees that for purposes of this Order the allegations shall be accepted as true and constitute violation(s) of MCL 339.604(c) and MCL 339.604(h). The Michigan Board of Residential Builders and Maintenance and Alteration Contractors has reviewed this Consent Order and Stipulation and agrees that the public interest is best served by resolution of the outstanding Complaint.

Therefore, IT IS FOUND that the facts alleged in the Complaint constitute violation(s) of MCL 339.604(c) and MCL 339.604(h).

Consent Order and Stipulation -File No. 21-14-325391 IT IS ORDERED that for the cited violation(s) of the Occupational Code, Respondent is FINED \$1,000.00 to be paid to the State of Michigan within 60 days of 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, 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 21-14-325391.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that failure to comply with the terms of this Order shall result in SUSPENSION of all licenses or registrations held by Respondent under Article 24 of the Occupational Code and in the denial of any license or registration renewal until compliance with this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order shall be effective 30 days from the date signed by the Board, as set forth below.

MICHIGAN BOARD OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDERS AND MAINTENANCE AND ALTERATION CONTRACTORS
By: Chairperson
Dated: 3/13/11

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### <u>STIPULATION</u>

1. Respondent neither admits nor denies the alleged violations but, pursuant to the principle of settlement and compromise, agrees that the alleged violations shall be accepted as true for purposes of this Order.

2. The facts alleged in the Complaint constitute violation(s) of MCL. 339.604(c) and MCL 339.604(h).

3. Respondent understands and intends that by signing this Stipulation Respondent is waiving the right, pursuant to the Occupational Code, the rules promulgated thereunder, and the Administrative Procedures Act, MCL 24.201 *et seq.*, to require the Department to prove the charges set forth in the Complaint by presentation of evidence and legal authority, and Respondent is waiving the right to appear with an attorney and such witnesses as Respondent may desire to present a defense to the charges.

4. This matter is a public record required to be published and made available to the public pursuant to the Michigan Freedom of Information Act, MCL 24.231 *et seq.* 

Consent Order and Stipulation File No. 21-14-325391 5. Factors taken into consideration in the formulation of this Order include the following:

Respondent maintained that he ceased work on the homeowner's cottage over concerns about liability after the homeowner expressed a belief that Respondent's workers had broken into the cottage. Respondent also believed the homeowner had involved a cousin to work on the project without Respondent's knowledge or approval.

6. This proposal is conditioned upon acceptance by the Board. Respondent and the Department expressly reserve the right to further proceedings should this Order be rejected.

AGREED TO BY:

Cheryl Wykoff Pezon, Acting Director Bureau of Professional Licensing Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs

Dated: \_

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kurt A. Olson (P38321) Attorney for Respondent

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ 2018

Consent Order and Stipulation File No. 21-14-325391 AGREED TO BY:

Ronald Gene Housman, Jr. Respondent

Dated: 1-25-/8

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## FORMAL COMPLAINT

The Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (Complainant) by Kim Gaedeke, Director, Bureau of Professional Licensing, files this Complaint against Ronald Gene Housman, Jr. (Respondent) as follows:

1. The Michigan Board of Residential Builders and Maintenance and Alteration Contractors (Board) is an administrative agency established by the Occupational Code, 1980 PA 299, as amended; MCL 339.101 <u>et seq</u>. Pursuant to section 602 of the Occupational Code, <u>supra</u>, the Board is empowered to penalize licensees for violations of the Occupational Code.

2. Respondent is licensed as an individual builder in the state of Michigan.

 On August 12, 2013, Respondent entered into a contract with (Homeowner) to build a two-story single family dwelling with a two car attached garage according to drawings and specifications provided.

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4. On or about May 2014, after Homeowner expressed dissatisfaction with some aspects of the build, Respondent ceased work on the project.

5. On March 11, 2015, Complainant mailed a <u>Notice to Respondent</u> to Respondent's address of record. Respondent failed to respond within 15 days.

## COUNT I

Respondent's conduct, as described above, evidences a failure to respond to a complaint within 15 days from receipt of the complaint, contrary to Mich Admin Code, R 338.1551(2), in violation of section 604(c) of the Occupational Code, <u>supra</u>.

### <u>COUNT II</u>

Respondent's 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, <u>supra</u>, in violation of section 604(h) of the Occupational Code, <u>supra</u>.

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. If compliance is not shown, Complainant further requests that formal proceedings be commenced pursuant to the Occupational Code, rules promulgated thereunder, and the Administrative Procedures Act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, as amended; MCL 24.201 <u>et seq</u>.

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Pursuant to section 508 of the Occupational Code, <u>supra</u>, Respondent has 15 days from the date of receipt of this Complaint to notify Complainant 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 Complainant, 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.

11-6-15 DATED:

Kim Gaedeke, Director Bureau of Professional Licensing

This is the final page of a <u>Formal Complaint</u> in the matter of Ronald Gene Housman Jr., File Number 21-14-325391, before the Michigan Board of Residential Builders and Maintenance and Alteration Contractors, consisting of three pages, this page included.

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