# 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

MARK S. SMITH License Number: 21-01-147648

File Number: 21-15-325880

### CONSENT ORDER

The Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (Department) executed a <u>Formal Complaint</u> (Complaint) on November 12, 2015, charging Mark S. Smith (Respondent) with violating section(s) 2411(2)(e) and 604(c) of the Occupational Code, 1980 PA 299, as amended; MCL 339.101 et <u>seq</u>.

Respondent has admitted that the facts alleged in the Complaint are true and constitute violations of the Occupational Code.

The Michigan Board of Residential Builders and Maintenance and Alteration Contractors (Board) has reviewed this <u>Consent Order and Stipulation</u> (Order) 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 are true and constitute violation(s) of section(s) 2411(2)(e) and 604(c) of the Occupational Code, <u>supra</u>.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that for the cited violation(s) of the Occupational Code, Respondent is FINED \$500.00 to be paid to the State of Michigan within 90 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, Sanction Monitoring, 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 21-15-325880.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that failure to comply with the terms of this Order shall result in a SUSPENSION of all licenses or registrations held by Respondent 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: 6 -14-16

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#### **STIPULATION**

1. The facts alleged in the Complaint are true and constitute violation(s) of section(s) 2411(2)(e) and 604(c) of the Occupational Code, <u>supra</u>.

2. 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 <u>et seq</u>., 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.

3. This matter is a public record required to be published and made available to the public pursuant the Michigan Freedom of Information Act, MCL 15.231 <u>et seq</u>.

4. Factors taken into consideration in the formulation of this Order are as follows:

Respondent contacted the Homeowner several times when the project was in progress to enter the property and to meet the inspector. However, the Homeowner did not allow Respondent or the inspector on the property.

Respondent later pulled a permit and was fined \$280.00 by the City of Detroit.

5. This Order is approved as to form and substance by Respondent and the Department and may be entered as the final order of the Board in this matter.

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:

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Kim Gaedeke, Director Bureau of Professional Licensing Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs

Dated:

AGREED TO BY: Cuella

Mark S. Smith Respondent

Dated:

This is the final page of a <u>Consent Order and Stipulation</u> in the matter of Mark S. Smith, File Number 21-15-325880, before the Michigan Board of Residential Builders and Maintenance and Alteration Contractors, consisting of four pages, this page included.

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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 Mark S. Smith (Respondent) as follows:

1. The Michigan Board of Residential Builders and Maintenance and Altercation Contractors (Board) is an administrative agency established by the Occupational Code, 1980 PA 299, as amended; MCL 339.101-605 <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 residential builder in the state of Michigan.

3. For historical information, the following actions occurred:

 a) On May 23, 2003, Complainant executed a <u>Formal Complaint</u> against Respondent based on allegations of construction defects. On December 12, 2003, in resolution of the matter,

a <u>Stipulation</u> was executed against Respondent that required the payment of a \$1,000.00 fine and \$20,000.00 restitution payment to the homeowner. On March 15, 2004, the Board accepted the <u>Stipulation</u> as a final order.

4. On September 8, 2014, Respondent entered into a contract with Jay Meeks (Homeowner) to perform renovations. A copy of the contract, marked Exhibit A, is attached and incorporated.

5. On December 20, 2014, homeowner filed a Statement of Complaint with Complainant alleging multiple issues that included Respondent's failure to complete work satisfactorily and on time.

6. On April 8, 2015, the city of Detroit building inspector conducted a building inspection of homeowner's property and noted, in part, the following violations of the 2009 Michigan Residential Code (adopted pursuant to the Stille-DeRossett-Hale single state construction act, effective March 9, 2011):

- a) Respondent installed windows, removed walls, and performed electrical work without a permit, in violation of R105;
- b) Caulking and trim poorly done at windows, in violation of R612; and
- c) Unfinished fascia at back of house, in violation of R703.

A copy of the inspection report, marked Exhibit B, is attached and incorporated.

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#### COUNT I

Respondent's 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>

Respondent's conduct, as described above, evidences a willful violation of the building laws of this state or of a political subdivision of this state, in violation of section 2411(2)(e) 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 licenses. 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>.

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.

11-12-15 Dated:

Kim Gaedeke, Director Bureau of Professional Licensing

### Attachments

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