## WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES



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### STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	: :	NOTICE OF REVOCATION AND NOTICE OF RIGHT
CHRISTOPHER KRAUSE	:	TO REQUEST HEARING
AND	:	000614 a
KRAUSE CUSTOM WOODWORKS, LLC	:	ORDER:
RESPONDENTS.	:	Case # 17 COM 207

TO: Christopher Krause (DOC#00563486) Fox Lake Correctional Institution PO Box 200 Fox Lake, WI 53933

> Krause Custom Woodworks, LLC 749 Fuller Street Columbus, WI 53925

You are hereby notified that the Department intends to revoke your Dwelling Contractor Certification (Krause Custom Woodworks, LLC License No. DC-011700067; currently expired) and Dwelling Contractor Qualifier Certification (Christopher Krause License No. DCQ-021700069) effective May 1, 2019. Further, the Department revokes any right to renew your certifications as allowed by Wis. Admin. Code § SPS 305.07.

The revocation is based on the following facts:

You are currently serving a sentence at Fox Lake Correctional Institution for the issuance of worthless checks, Fond du Lac Case Number 2018CM174. The issuance of worthless checks is substantially related to your certificate because the work you perform as a dwelling contractor hinges on the ability for the public to enter into a contract with you to exchange services for money. The issuance of worthless checks and identity theft puts serious doubts into the public's mind that you can engage in a profession where a large amount of money is exchanged.

You have a criminal history of charges related to your profession including a class H felony for misappropriating ID Info – Obtain Money, a class I felony for Theft-False Representation, and an additional class H felony for misappropriating ID Info.

You have numerous civil judgments entered against you that related to your work as a dwelling contractor. The following cases have been entered against you:

- 2011SC2441, *Katherine M. Miller v. Christopher W. Krause*, is a Dane County small claims case where judgment has been entered against you in the amount of \$5,096.50. There has been no satisfaction of judgment.
- 2011SC481, Kristal D. Timm v. Christopher W. Krause, is a Walworth County small claims case where judgment has been entered against you in the amount of \$5,137.56. There has been no satisfaction of judgment.
- 2017SC2326, *McCormick Lumber & Cabinetry Inc. v. Christopher Krause*, is a Dane County small claims case where judgment has been entered against you in the amount of \$3,284.15. There has been no satisfaction of judgment.
- 2017SC652, Cottonwood Financial Wisconsin, LLC v. Christopher Krause, is a Columbia County small claims case where judgment has been entered against you in the amount of \$698.22. There has been no satisfaction of judgment.
- 2017SC21007, Bliffert Lumber & Fuel Co. v. Krause Custom Woodworks, LLC, is a Milwaukee County small claims case where judgment has been entered against you in the amount of \$4,774.55. There has been no satisfaction of judgment.
- 2017CV371, *Hartje Lumber, Inc. v. Krause Custom Woodworks, LLC,* is a Sauk County civil case where judgment has been entered against you in the amount of \$17,431.45. There has been no satisfaction of judgment.
- 2017SC1013, *Neu's Building Center v. Christopher W. Krause*, is a Columbia County small claims case where judgment has been entered against you in the amount of \$6,037.20. There has been no satisfaction of judgment.
- 2017SC39995, *Alpine Plywood Corp. v. Krause Custom Woodworks, LLC*, is a Milwaukee County small claims case where judgment has been entered against you in the amount of \$5,999.06. There has been no satisfaction of judgment.

The cases listed total \$48,458.69 in outstanding judgments.

Your criminal and civil judgment history make you unfit to possess dwelling contractor and/or dwelling contractor qualifier certifications in the State of Wisconsin. The above constitutes misconduct under Wis. Admin. Code § SPS 305.10(1)(a)5 and is a basis for your certificate revocation. Misconduct includes financial misconduct under Wis. Admin. Code § SPS 305.003(43). Further, you are in violation of Wis. Admin. Code § SPS 305.10(1)(a)6 and Wis. Stat. 101.654(5)(c) as you have been arrested and convicted for crimes substantially related to the certificate.

Per Wis. Admin. Code § SPS 305.10(1)(e) you shall immediately surrender your certificates to the Department.

### **REHABILITATION AND APPEALS**

You have the right to show evidence of rehabilitation and fitness to engage in the licensed activity. Wis. Stat. § 111.335(4)(c). The requirements for competent evidence of sufficient rehabilitation and fitness are found in Wis. Stat. § 111.335(4)(d). Any evidence of rehabilitation and fitness must be received within 30 days of this letter or shall be deemed waived. All information shall be sent to Department of Safety and Professional Services, P.O. Box 7190, Madison, Wisconsin 53707-7190.

You have the right to request a hearing on the revocation by sending a request for hearing to the Department of Safety and Professional Services, P.O. Box 7190, Madison, Wisconsin 53707-7190, which must be received by the Department no later than 30 days from the date of mailing of this Notice. Any hearing on the revocation will be held in accordance with the requirements set forth in Wis. Stat. ch. 227.

All requests for a hearing shall conform with Wis. Stat. § 101.02(6). Specifically, the petition for a hearing shall set out specifically and in full detail the order upon which a hearing is desired and every reason why such order is unreasonable, and every issue to be considered by the department on the hearing. The petitioner shall be deemed to have finally waived all objections to any irregularities and illegalities in the order upon which a hearing is sought other than those set forth in the petition. Wis. Stat. §101.02(6)(f).

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin on \_26 April 2019

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