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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

NOTICE OF SUSPENSION AND NOTICE OF RIGHT TO REQUEST HEARING

JOE HARRIS

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HARRIS HOMES AND CONSTRUCTION

RESPONDENTS.

Ord ORDER 0007344

Case # 19 COM 124

TO: Joe Harris

7163 192nd Street

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

You are hereby notified that your dwelling contractor and dwelling contractor qualifier certificates (DC-011100006, DCQ-011100020) are hereby suspended for 30 days. The suspension shall begin on May 24, 2021 and expire on June 23, 2021. Upon completion of the suspension you may request reinstatement of your credentials. The credentials will remain suspended until you make a request for reinstatement. You may send your request to dspscredtrades@wisconsin.gov.

The basis for this suspension is as follows:

Violations of Wis. Admin. Code § SPS 305.10(1)(a)5. Suspension for engaging in misconduct which led to public mistrust.

The Department received a complaint concerning work you did for Jill Wall. The Department reviewed the complaint and conducted an investigation.

The Department's investigation ultimately found evidence that your website contained testimonials (to include images/photos and names of individuals) that were false in that they had been copied from other areas of the web or made up.

The Department provided you an opportunity to respond. The Department received your response and considered all the factors concerning this matter.

Based on the foregoing, the Department finds that you engaged in misconduct by misrepresenting your testimonials related to your business. This misrepresentation created public

distrust. A suspension of 30 days is appropriate and is entered pursuant to the terms laid out in this document.

You have the right to request a hearing on the suspension by sending a request for hearing to the Department of Safety and Professional Services, Chief Legal Counsel, 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 suspension will be held in accordance with the requirements set forth in Wis. Stat. ch. 227.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin on April 22, 2021.

Al Rohmeyer

Chief Legal Counsel,

Department of Safety and Professional Services