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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

Builders Group LLC

&

Donald Chic

ORDER 0007904

RESPONDENTS.

Case # 21 COM 94

TO: Builders Group LLC 2145 Dickenson Road 11 De Pere, WI 54115

> Donald Chic 2435 Reginald Hill De Pere, WI 54115

You are hereby notified that your dwelling contractor and dwelling contractor qualifier certificates (DC-021300012, DCQ-021300005) are hereby revoked.

The Department conducted an investigation into your credentials based on a complaint filed against you concerning work done at 408 Apollo Way, De Pere, WI 54115. The complaint alleged that you were hired to finish/remodel a basement. You were paid \$19,800 for the work. You started the project without properly pulling permits and completed some framing work and hired subcontractors to perform HVAC and electrical work. At that point you ceased communicating with the property owner, failed to complete the job, failed to pay the subcontractors, and have not returned any of the money to the property owner. You have also failed to provide an accounting of the funds you received to justify total payment. The framing work you completed did not pass inspection. There is a preponderance of evidence that your total cost of the project was around \$3,800 labor and parts inclusive.

The Department also conducted an investigation into work that was supposed to be completed at 4447 Oak Ridge Court, De Pere, WI 54115. You were hired to construct a detached garage and quoted the property owner \$40,000. The property owner paid you \$20,000 as a down payment. You performed no work at the site. You still owe the property owner approximately \$11,000.

The basis for this revocation is as follows:

Wis. Admin. Code § SPS 305.10(1)(a)5. Revocation for engaging in misconduct.

The Department's investigation found by a preponderance of the evidence that you engaged in "misconduct" as defined by Wis. Admin. Code § SPS 305.003(43). The Department found that you engaged in financial misconduct by accepting \$20,000 from the Oak Ridge project, performing no work, and failing to reimburse the property owner all the funds.

It further found that you engaged in financial misconduct at the Apollo Way project by accepting \$19,800 and failing to provide adequate work to justify said payment. There is a preponderance of evidence that the amount of materials purchased and work you performed did not amount to \$19,800. The investigation also found that you failed to pay the subcontractors you hired to perform work at the site.

Wis. Admin. Code § SPS 305.10(1)(a)8 & 14b and Wis. Stat. § 101.654(5)(b). Revocation for failure to follow state and local rules.

The investigation found that you started the job at 408 Apollo Way, De Pere, WI 54115 prior to obtaining the necessary permit from the local municipality. No permits were pulled for the project until the property owner pulled permits on June 9, 2021, which is after you abandoned the project.

Wis. Admin. Code § SPS 305.10(1)(a)3. Revocation for engaging in negligence and incompetence.

The investigation found that the work you performed on the Apollo project failed to pass a code inspection. You performed framing work at the site and it failed an inspection. The property owner had to hire another contractor to fix the errors found.

Wis. Stat. § 440.20(5)(a) via Wis. Stat. § 101.022. Revocation for failure to respond to the Department.

The Department provided you an opportunity to respond to the allegations in the complaints. The Department put you on notice that failure to respond to the Department inquiries can lead to discipline including suspending or revoking your credentials. The Department sent letters to your addresses of record on July 20, August 5, August 23, and September 14, 2021. The Department also attempted to email you at your email of record. Our investigation shows that certified letters sent to your addresses were signed for on September 16. No response was received and more than 30 days has passed since the sending of the letters and emails.

Based on the foregoing, the Department hereby revokes your credentials.

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, 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. The request for a hearing on the revocation shall set out specifically and in full detail every reason why this order is unreasonable, and every issue to be considered by the department on the hearing. Anything not addressed in the request shall be deemed waived. Any hearing on the revocation will be held in accordance with the requirements set forth in Wis. Stat. ch. 227.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin on March 17, 2022.

Al Rohmeyer

Chief Legal Counsel,

Department of Safety and Professional Services