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	FORFEITURE
TIMOTHY SWINEA,	: NOTICE OF	FORFEITURE
RECONDENT	: : Case # 21 UI	NI 40
RESPONDENT.		DER 0008765

TO: Timothy Swinea 401 E South St. Stoughton, WI 53589

You are hereby notified that you are subject to a forfeiture of \$250.00 in accordance with Wis. Stat. \$145.12 for advertising plumbing services without possessing a proper plumbing credential in violation of Wis. Stat. \$145.11(1)(c). This forfeiture shall be paid within 30 days of the date of mailing of this Notice. In addition, you shall not be allowed to obtain a credential from the Department of Safety and Professional Services until this forfeiture is paid.

The forfeiture of **\$250.00** shall be made out to the "Department of Safety and Professional Services." Include in the memo line "21 UNL 49" and send to the following address:

Department Monitor Division of Legal Services and Compliance Department of Safety and Professional Services 4822 Madison Yards Way P.O. Box 7190, Madison, WI 53707-7190 Telephone (608) 267-3817; Fax (608) 266-2264 DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov

You are receiving this forfeiture because a department investigation found that you engaged in advertising plumbing services without possessing any plumbing credential or having a licensed master plumber on staff. Specifically, the investigation found by a preponderance of the evidence that you provided an invoice to John and Deb Eberle at W5797 Mings Road, Monroe WI, wherein you state that your company will charge \$2,300 for a "partial for rough in of plumbing. This includes upstairs (including shower). Main lower bath. This is for new water supply and waste. Water Supply is connected with pex where needed. DWV is connected in basement at old cast." Further in the invoice a note states "Plumbing will have more of my time in it. One shower fixture and one toilet. With lot of moving of pipes re routing. We are still way below average cost." This behavior is sufficient evidence that you and your company advertised plumbing.

services. Specifically, it was alleged that you installed a trap and new waste piping in a bathroom sink and that is plumbing which requires a license per Wis. Stat. § 145.06.

The Department afforded you an opportunity to respond by sending letters to your address on file and your known email address. You did not address the invoices in your response to the Department.

Based on the evidence presented to the Department, your failure to rebut the charges to the Department, and a review of the Codes and Statutes there is a preponderance of evidence that you violated Wis. Stat. § 145.11. For these reasons a forfeiture of \$250.00 is assessed in accordance with Wis. Stat. § 145.12(4).

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin on <u>19 September 2023</u>.

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