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Three Contractors Stung For Alleged Unlicensed Activity

Nevada State Contractors Board investigators recently conducted sting operations in Southern and Northern Nevada for unlicensed contracting activity.

Two individuals identified in Southern Nevada for allegedly being unlicensed included:

Ryan Fallon submitted a bid to install a patio cover. Charges were filed with the Clark County District Attorney's Office for *contracting without a license* and *unlawful advertising*.

Guy Lee, dba Mr. Fix, was cited for allegedly *contracting without a license* and *unlawful advertising*. Lee had submitted a bid to construct a room addition.

Rockie L. Jamison, dba Sierra Equipment Co., was cited in the Reno area for allegedly contracting without a license. He provided a bid for electrical work.

Contracting without a license in Nevada is a misdemeanor for the first offense, a gross misdemeanor for the second offense and a Class E felony for the third offense. Homeowners who use unlicensed contractors are not eligible for the Residential Recovery Fund, and by law their contracts are null and void.

The NSCB recommends that homeowners not use unlicensed contractors because their work is generally poor quality, they are often uninsured and may not maintain Workman's Compensation coverage for their employees, and the homeowner may be liable for all injuries to workers.

Consumers can check whether a contractor is licensed by calling: (702) 486-1100 in Southern Nevada, or (775) 688-1141 in Northern Nevada. License checks can also be conducted on the NSCB website at: www.nscb.state.nv.us by clicking on the "Contractor License Search & Disciplinary Actions Search" icon.

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