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NSCB Investigators Cite Six Unlicensed Contractors In Southern Nevada Sting Operation

Nevada State Contractors Board investigators conducted a sting operation on June 22, 2007, in the vicinity of I-215 and Charleston Boulevard, where six unlicensed contractors were either cited, or will have charges filed against them with the District Attorney's office.

Those who received citations include:

Louie Pete Kordich, dba Handyman Services, painting and crown molding, *contracting without a license, unlawful advertising*; **Ethan Alec LaRosa, dba Dynamic Painting**, painting, *contracting without a license, unlawful advertising*; **Avelino Reyes-Garcia, dba Professional Design**, landscaping, *contracting without a license*; **Pedro Rodriquez-Lopez, dba Rodriquez Landscaping**, landscaping, *contracting without a license, unlawful advertising*; **Robert Wayne Leamons**, concrete work, *contracting without a license, unlawful advertising*; and **Tony (unknown last name), dba Vegas Concrete**, concrete work, *contracting without a license, unlawful advertising*.

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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 should 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.

Homeowners who use unlicensed contractors are not eligible for the Residential Recovery Fund, and by law their contracts are null and void.

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**

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