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NSCB Investigators Nab Four

Unlicensed Contractors in Sting Operation

The Nevada State Contractors Board recently conducted a sting operation in Northwest Las Vegas in which three unlicensed contractors were cited for engaging in business without a license. A fourth citation is pending. Posing as homeowners, NSCB investigators filed criminal charges against the four unlicensed contractors for concrete work to extend a residential patio, interior wall painting, the installation of a home theater sound system and landscape work.

Contacting without a license 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 uninsured, do not maintain workman's compensation

coverage for their employees and the homeowner is 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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