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<u>CONTRACTORS BOARD AWARDS 18 HOMEOWNERS \$183,543;</u> <u>ORDERS BLUE LAGOON POOLS TO PAY \$138,363</u>

HENDERSON, *Nev.* – The Nevada State Contractors Board (NSCB) held a Residential Recovery Fund hearing October 19, where 18 homeowners were awarded a combined total of \$183,543. Each homeowner incurred damages from Blue Lagoon Pools, who at the time was licensed to perform the various pool construction projects. NSCB has now concluded a year-long investigation, which involved 18 homeowners, subcontractors, and four days of disciplinary hearings. At the final disciplinary hearing on September 13, Blue Lagoon Pools stipulated to the revocation of its license and a total of \$138,363 in fines and investigative costs were ordered to be paid.

Blue Lagoon Pools was found guilty on 75 of the original 89 causes of actions. Violations included failure to comply with regulations of the Board governing contracts for work concerning residential pools and spas, willful or deliberate disregard and violation of the building laws, and willful or deliberate failure to pay any money when due for any materials or services rendered in connection with the licensee's operations as a contractor.

"Cases like this are exactly why the Residential Recovery Fund is in place," said Margi A. Grein, NSCB executive officer. "Hiring licensed contractors affords homeowners, such as those affected by Blue Lagoon Pools, the protections of recovering some or all of their money lost on a project."

The Residential Recovery Fund has been offering protection to Nevada homeowners of single-family residences who conduct work with licensed contractors since 1999. Eligible homeowners may receive up to \$35,000 for a claim against a single contractor. To learn more about how to hire a licensed contractor or apply for the Residential Recovery Fund, please visit: <u>www.nscb.nv.gov</u> or contact NSCB at (702) 486-1100 (Southern Nevada) or (775) 688-1141 (Northern Nevada).

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MEDIA NOTE:

A full listing of the statutory violations against Blue Lagoon Pools is below:

- NRS 624.3013(5), per NRS 624.263(3) •
- NRS 624.3016(1) •
- NRS 624.3013(3) •
- NRS 624.302(6) •
- NRS 624.3013(5), per NRS 624.260(a)(b)(c) •
- NRS 624.3016(5), per NRS 624.940(2)(g) (4 counts) •
- NRS 624.3016(5), per NRS 624.940(2)(k) (13 counts) .
- NRS 624.3016(5), per NRS 624.940(2)(d) (12 counts) •
- NRS 624.3016(5), per NRS 624.940(3)(a) (6 counts) •
- NRS 624.3011(1)(b)(1) (9 counts) •
- NRS 624.3017(1) (3 counts) •
- NRS 624.3013(5), per NAC 624.700(3)(a) •
- NRS 624.3012(2) (7 counts) •
- NRS 624.3011(1)(a) (2 counts) .
- NRS 624.301(5) (6 counts) •
- NRS 624.302(5) (6 counts) •
- NRS 624.3014(2)(a)

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