



Rhode Island Department of Business Regulation

Contractors' Registration and Licensing Board

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VIA- USPS

March 10, 2022

RST Enterprises Inc.
Ronald Tari

Registration/License Number: GC-44730
Claim Associated with Violation: C-C-10639

RE: FINAL ORDER AND SUSPENSION OF REGISTRATION Disciplinary Action - Violation # V-6226

On or about January 25, 2022, you were provided with a Notice of Violation/Proposed Order, a copy of which is attached and incorporated as if stated again in full, that the Rhode Island Contractors' Registration and Licensing Board determined that you were in violation of Rhode Island General Laws and intended to assess civil penalties.

Because you did not request a hearing or pay the fines as assessed within the time allowed, the Notice of Violation/Proposed Order has converted to a Final Order. The fines, as listed above, are now due and payable. If payment is not received within twenty (20) days, your registration will be suspended and your case may be referred to the Office of the Attorney General for criminal prosecution pursuant to RIGL § 5-65-19 and/or referred to the Central Collections Unit pursuant to RIGL § 42-142-1.

You have the right to appeal this Final Order by completing the attached form and returning to the CRLB within twenty (20) days of the date of this mailing. For additional information, please see our website at www.crb.ri.gov, or contact us by telephone at (401) 921-1590.

Sincerely,

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**RE: NOTICE OF INTENT TO ASSESS CIVIL PENALTY AND OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING –
PROPOSED ORDER
Disciplinary Action - Violation # V-6226**

This letter serves to notify you that the Rhode Island Contractors' Registration and Licensing Board(CRLB) has determined that on or about April 20, 2021, at 53 Dorman Avenue, North Providence, RI 02904 violations of the following section(s) of Rhode Island General Laws were discovered and the CRLB intends to assess civil penalties as proposed.

Violation

5-65-10(h) - Fraudulent use of another contractor's registration (up to 10K for first offense)

Violation Penalty

10,000

Description

On April 20, 2021 the Respondent entered into an agreement with the homeowner at 54 Dorman Ave, North Providence. The homeowner was led to believe that the Respondent was representing QSPS Housing Solutions. The Respondent provided the homeowner with a brochure and a business card with QSPS Housing Solutions' registration number and company logo.

On November 5, 2021 I spoke with John, a representative for QSPS, who informed me, in writing, that QSPS was not involved with this project and that the Respondent acted alone. In addition, the Respondent asked for the deposit check to be made out in his name.

Violation

5-65-3(o) - Failure to have written contract when work performed is in excess of \$1,000.00

Violation Penalty

1,000

Description

Respondent entered in an agreement to replace the entire roof at 54 Dorman Ave, North Providence, on or about April 20, 2021. The Respondent requested a down payment of \$1,000, which he received in a form of a check

made out the Respondent's name. The homeowner indicated that no contract was signed or a copy of it provided. Upon request, Respondent stated that there was no written contract.

Violation

5-65-18 - Failure to provide mechanic's lien notice

Violation Penalty

1,000

Description

Contracts for work require notice that the contractor provide the consumer with a notice that the contractor may file a lien in accordance with the Mechanic' Lien Law, as found in R.I. Gen. Law 34-28. As there was no written contract, the required notice was not provided to the consumer.

Violation

5-65-3(p) - Failure to provide notice of right of rescission as stipulated in all pertinent Rhode Island consumer protection laws and/or § 5-65-27, if applicable. (Age 60 or older)

Violation Penalty

1,000

Description

Contracts for work require a right of rescission when the consumer is an elderly person as defined in R.I. Gen. Law §42-66-4.1 (60 years old). Here, the consumer is 84 years old. As there was no written contract, the required right of rescission was not provided to the consumer.

Violation

5-65-10(a)(11) - Breach of contract

Violation Penalty

1,000

Description

Respondent entered into a verbal contract with Antonia Antonaccio on or about April 20, 2021 for a roof replacement. On or about October 26, 2021 the homeowner filed a complaint with the CRLB alleging, in pertinent part, that the Respondent had breached the contract. The investigation showed that the Respondent breached the contract by taking a \$1,000 deposit and did not return to do any work.

Fine amount: \$14,000

You have the right to a hearing. You must request a hearing in writing, to the Contractors' Registration Board, 560 Jefferson Blvd, Warwick, RI 02886 within twenty (20) days of the date of this mailing or issuance of the Notice of Intent to Assess Civil Penalty. Failure to apply for, or to attend a scheduled hearing, will result in the issuance of a Final Order.

For additional information, please see our website at www.crb.ri.gov, or contact us by telephone at: (401) 921-1590.

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STANDARD OF REVIEW AND PROCEDURE FOR APPEAL OF NOTICE OF VIOLATION/PROPOSED ORDER

At hearing, the CRLB must prove the alleged violation(s) by a preponderance of the evidence. If proven, the Hearing Office will issue a Decision/Final Order. Decisions/Final Orders may be appealed to the Board as indicated below.

STANDARD OF REVIEW AND PROCEDURE FOR APPEAL OF DECISION OF HEARING OFFICER

In accordance with § 1.13.2 of CRLB regulation 440-RICR-10-00-1,

- a. The Board shall only consider evidence presented to the Hearing Officer, issues raised in the appeal, and written and/or oral argument relative to the Decision/Final Order issued by the Hearing Officer.
- b. The Board may limit the time allowed for oral argument.
- c. The Board will not consider any new or additional evidence not already presented below to the Hearing Officer.
- d. The CRLB staff investigator may report on their investigative findings.

Consistent with §§ 5-65-20, 440-RICR-10-00-1.13.2, and the Administrative Procedures Act § 42-35-1 et seq., the Board will affirm the Hearing Officer's Decision if it is supported by substantial evidence in the record. The Board will not substitute its judgment for that of the Hearing Officer as to the weight of the evidence on questions of fact. Alternatively, the Board may dismiss or modify the Hearing Officer's decision if it was arbitrary or capricious, or affected by other error of law. The Board may remand the case for further proceedings, if applicable.

It shall be the Appellant's sole responsibility, or that of his/her or its representative, to present his/her Appeal to the Board. The Appellant may be represented by legal counsel admitted in the State of Rhode Island. If Appellant fails to appear at the Hearing and has not otherwise notified the Board of his/her or its inability to attend, the Board shall dismiss the Appeal and affirm the Decision of the Hearing Officer.

The deadline for the Appellant to submit briefs and/or written arguments shall be fourteen (14) calendar days prior to the hearing. Oral arguments shall begin with the Party that filed the appeal. Time limits for oral arguments shall be limited to fifteen (15) minutes. A rebuttal time of three (3) minutes may be allowed. The Chair of the Board, or his/her designee, will oversee the proceedings.

AFFIRMATION

I swear, under the pains and penalties of perjury, that the information provided in connection with this Request for Appeal is true to the best of my knowledge, with the understanding that any omissions, inaccuracies, and/or failure to make full disclosures may be deemed sufficient reason to deny or revoke registration/licensure by the CRLB.:

Signature

Date

Print

SUBMISSION

Submit this application to:
RI Contractors' Registration and Licensing Board
Attn: Matthew Lambert
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