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AZ ROC Revokes Home Lift Now's License

PHOENIX, Ariz., (July 29, 2016) – On Tuesday, July 26, 2016, the Arizona Registrar of Contractors (AZ ROC) revoked the license issued to Home Lift Now, LLC (ROC302446).

In Dec. 2015, Brandon Lederer and John Lawson's company, Home Lift Now, was issued a ROC license for Carpentry, Remodeling and Repair. Within five months, the Registrar received and was investigating nine complaints against the company; including abandonment.

On June 6, 2016, after investigating several of these complaints and believing the public health, safety, and welfare imperatively required emergency action, the Registrar summarily suspended Home Lift Now's license.

Based on these investigations, the Agency sought revocation of the license and cited the company for over 30 alleged violations, including material misrepresentations in the application for licensure, unlicensed contracting, aiding and abetting of unlicensed activity by hiring unlicensed subcontractors, working outside the scope of the license, failure to obtain permits, and several allegations of abandonment.

An Administrative Law Hearing was held from June 24, 2016 through July 1, 2016 and Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Suzanne Marwil heard testimony from numerous complainants, ROC investigators and a staff attorney, and the respondent regarding the allegations listed in AZ ROC's citation.

The ALJ Decision found, by a preponderance of the evidence, the violations were established and recommended revocation of the license. On Tuesday, July 26, the Registrar accepted (with technical modifications) that decision and revoked Home Lift Now's license.

After suspending the license, 13 additional complaints were received by the Registrar. In total, 21 were received and 16 continue to be investigated and are moving through the Agency's Administrative process.

After filing claims against the bond of Home Lift Now, the impacted homeowners will now be able file claims with the Arizona Registrar of Contractor's Residential Recovery Fund. The Recovery Fund, established in 1981, serves as a form of restitution and is able to payout to eligible homeowners injured by a licensed contractor.

Of the revocation, Director Jeff Fleetham stated, "Within six months of being licensed, we received 21 complaints against this company. Without question, the Agency moved quickly to suspend and seek revocation of their license. We will continue to work to ensure construction projects performed by Arizona's licensed contractors represent quality work as licensed contractors build confidence."

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