

Rhode Island Department of Business Regulation

Contractors' Registration and Licensing Board

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VIA- Certified Mail

October 18, 2022

Clean Cut Tree Service David Cotoia

Registration/License Number:

Complain Associated with Violation: C-11053

RE: FINAL ORDER -Disciplinary Action- Violation # V-6714

On or about September 28, 2022, you were provided with notice that the Rhode Island Contractors' Registration and Licensing Board determined that you were in violation of the following section(s) of Rhode Island General Law and intended to assess civil penalties as proposed

Violation

5-65-3(j) - Hiring of non-registered subcontractor

Violation Penalty

500

Description

The review of the complaint C-11053 (256 Williston Way, Pawtucket) submitted on September 14, 2022 and during the associated inspection on September 27, 2022, a check of the CRLB Registration database showed that the worker(s), identified as Billy Pagliarini, was not registered with the CRLB. Upon further inquiry, I learned that these workers had been hired to perform the work by Clean Cut Tree Service and/or DCJ Landscape Services.

Violation

3-65-3(I) - Advertising while not being registered

Violation Penalty

500

Description

The review of the complaint C-11053 (256 Williston Way, Pawtucket) submitted on September 14, 2022 and during the associated inspection on September 27, 2022 the GC advertised their business on the contract without a GC registration with the CLRB.

Violation

5-65-3(m) - Failure to secure permits prior to commencing work

Violation Penalty

1.000

Description

During the review of complaint C-11053 (256 Williston Way, Pawtucket) submitted on September 14, 2022 it was found that no permits were issued for the work proposed and done. This work is of the type which requires that a building/electrical/plumbing/mechanical be taken out prior to commencing work.

Violation

5-65-10(a)(10) - Performed work, or arranged to perform work, without a valid registration.

Violation Penalty

500

Description

The review of the complaint C-11053 (256 Williston Way, Pawtucket) submitted on September 14, 2022 and during the associated inspection on September 27, 2022, it was discovered that work was performed on the property. This work is of the type which requires registration with the CRLB. A check of the CRLB Registration database showed that the respondent was not registered with the CRLB.

Violation

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

Violation Penalty

500

Description

Respondent entered into a contract with Jennifer David on or about May 21, 2022 for work on the property. On or about September 14, 2022 the homeowner filed a complaint with the CRLB alleging, in pertinent part, that the Respondent had breached the contract.

Violation

5-65-10(a)(12) - Contractor performed improper work

Violation Penalty

500

Description

Soon after the contract date of May 21, 2022 the respondent performed substandard work on the property including damage to the property. Upon inspection on September 27, 2022, this work appeared to deviate from the contract.

Violation

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

Violation Penalty

250

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. Upon review of the written contract, the required notice was absent from the contract.

Violation

5-65-22 - Failure to provide registration number on all advertising, contracts, and invoices.

Violation Penalty

250

Description

The review of the complaint C-11053 (256 Williston Way, Pawtucket) submitted on September 14, 2022 and during the associated inspection on September 27, 2022, the advertising of the services of Clean Cut Tree Service was observed on the contract. The CRLB Registration number was not displayed on these documents.

Fine amount: \$4,000

Because you did not request a hearing within the time allowed, the 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 case may be referred to the Office of the Attorney General for criminal prosecution pursuant to RIGL § 5-65-19.

Alternatively, you may appeal this Final Order in writing, within twenty (20) days of the date of this mailing to the Contractors' Registration and Licensing Board. 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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