



UNLICENSED BUILDER PROSECUTIONS

The Board Takes Unlicensed Builder Activity Seriously.

Since August 24, 2023, the Board has identified and/or stopped the work of 21 unlicensed builders, has sworn four criminal complaints, and has prosecuted four unlicensed builder cases in district criminal court.

UB22-135, Jason Hardy Reynolds

Cherokee County District Court, September 11, 2023

Disposition: Unlicensed builder was charged with engaging in the practice of residential homebuilding without holding a current and valid homebuilders license as required by Ala. Code §34-14A-5,14 (1975). The case was dismissed. The UB is required to refund the homeowner \$8,000 and the homeowner is required to return all materials, tools, and generator to the UB. *Action on this case was part of a global plea agreement on multiple charges between the DA and defendant.

UB22-141, Reginald Smith

Lauderdale County District Court, September 9, 2023

Disposition: Unlicensed builder was charged with engaging in the practice of residential homebuilding without holding a current and valid homebuilders license as required by Ala. Code §34-14A-5,14 (1975). Builder pled guilty. Fined \$1,000.00. Received 12 months suspended sentence and 24 months of probation.

UB22-064, Trey Cook

Baldwin County District Court. September 14, 2023

Disposition: Unlicensed builder was charged with engaging in the practice of residential homebuilding without holding a current and valid homebuilders license as required by Ala. Code §34-14A-5,14 (1975). Builder pled guilty. Fined \$1,000.00. Received 90 days suspended sentence and 24 months of probation.

UB 22-128, Baldwin Construction, LLC, Baldwin Lamar Payne

Mobile County District Court, September 26, 2023

Disposition: Unlicensed builder was charged with engaging in the practice of residential homebuilding without holding a current and valid homebuilders license as required by Ala. Code §34-14A-5,14 (1975). Builder was found guilty. Fine was waived in lieu of \$2,400 restitution paid to the Homeowner. Received 1 year suspended sentence and 24 months of formal probation.
