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To: State of Nevada Building Departments

From: Laura Bach/Investigator
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Interior Design and Residential Design

Building Officials, Examiners, Inspectors and Employees:

Greetings! I thought it would be a good idea to reach out all the Building Departments in Nevada and introduce myself. My name is Laura Bach and I am the investigator for the Nevada State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design. I have been with the Board for over 9 years as an investigator and want you to feel comfortable to reach out to me with any questions or concerns you may have pertaining to our disciplines, registrants and any unlicensed practice you run into.

Information received from the Building Departments can be kept confidential in most cases and we strive to address all questions or concerns in a timely matter. Most of all, our staff is here to assist you in keeping the public safe. We can verify is someone is registered; provide contact information; make a courtesy call to our registrant if they are not cooperating with you; and in certain instances issue disciplinary action if warranted.

Building Officials and their employees play a very important role in protecting the public, by advising the appropriate state board of suspected improper or illegal conduct of a registered or licensed professional, or of a non-registrant or unlicensed professional performing professional services. If you become aware of professional incompetence manifested by excessive errors in submitted documents, you are required to notify the appropriate state board of incomplete plan submittals or plans which have been rejected by the building department or public body at least three times. (See NRS 278, 338, 341 and 477, also in the 2014 Blue Book, page 18).

Please feel free to contact our Board any time. Our Executive Director, Gina Spaulding is a wealth of knowledge and easy to talk to. If she is not available, her Deputy Director, Monica Harrison is also knowledgeable and eager to help. Questions or concerns regarding unlicensed practice, negligence or deficient submittals can be addressed directly to me.

Please share this information with your staff and keep our contact information handy.
Thank you.

Sincerely,
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