



# BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

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July 2, 2015

Dennis Michael Brown  
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**Re: NOTICE OF SHOW CAUSE HEARING / PUBLIC HEARING**  
**Pursuant to Florida Statutes, Chp. 489.113(4)(b)**

**STATE LICENSE No.: CMC1249406**

Dear Mr. Brown:

Please be advised the Escambia County Contractor Competency Board ("Board") has scheduled a Show Cause/Public Hearing, pursuant to F.S. § 489.113(4)(b), related to 340+ violations in Escambia County and 60+ violations in the City of Pensacola, of the Florida Building Code Chp. 104 & 105; F.S. 489; and/or Sec. 18 of the Escambia County Code of Ordinances. The Public Hearing will be held on **Wednesday, August 5, 2015 at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as it may be heard**, located at 3363 West Park Place, Room 104, Pensacola, Florida. A spreadsheet listing Escambia County permits and one listing the city of Pensacola permits, labeled "Attachment 1" and "Attachment 2", respectively, are attached for your information and review.

At this Public Hearing, the Board will consider the violation(s) as set forth below:

1. **Count I:** 340+ violations of Florida Building Code, Sections 104 & 109.5; and Article II, Sec. 18-37(15)(b), of the Escambia County Code of Ordinances related to failure to obtain inspections in each permit.

Pursuant to Florida Building Code, § 109.5, "...*Final Inspection. To be made after the building is completed ...*." Also, Section 104 of the Florida Building Code requires that all construction work for which a permit is required shall be subject to inspection and approval by the Building Official. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to cause the work to remain accessible and exposed for inspection purposes.

2. **Count II:** Cease and desist from engaging in business of contracting related to Plumbing and Gas for failure to provide the name of a certified or registered agent qualifying ARS of Florida, Inc. for commencing work in the Plumbing and Gas disciplines, pursuant to F.S. § 113(2)(b) and Sec. 18-37(d)(7) and Sec. 18-37(9)(h); and failure to notify the local jurisdiction, Escambia County Contractor Competency Board and DBPR, of the change in Qualifier for ARS of Florida, Inc. – Plumbing and Gas Disciplines.
3. **Count III:** Failure to supervise construction activities. Sec. 18-37(9)(h), Escambia County Code of Ordinances; and F.S. § 1195, as amended.

As you are aware, by Statute and under the Florida Building Code, permits will expire and become null and void if work authorized by such permits has not commenced within 180 days from permit issuance or has been suspended or abandoned at any time for a period of 180 days. Work shall be considered to be in active progress when the permit has received an approved inspection within 180 days. You should begin immediately to resolve the issues with Escambia County and the City of Pensacola prior to the Board meeting. A new permit and fee shall be required for each expired permit. It is your responsibility to contact each homeowner to coordinate scheduling inspections for the permits listed in "Attachment A" and "Attachment B." Any scheduled inspection with no posted permit and/or recorded Notice of Commencement (if applicable); and no one is home will fail inspection and subsequently be charged an additional re-inspection fee. Please contact Jennifer Hampton at Escambia County Building Inspections Department by telephone at (850) 595-4560 or email at: [jhampton@co.escambia.fl.us](mailto:jhampton@co.escambia.fl.us) to schedule inspections or verify if a new permit will be required. To proceed with resolution to the permits shown on "Attachment B", please contact William "Bill" Weeks, Building Official, City of Pensacola, at (850) 436-5600 or email at: [wweeks@cityofpensacola.com](mailto:wweeks@cityofpensacola.com).

**Your attendance at this Hearing is required.** At the Public Hearing, the Board will receive information concerning the alleged violation(s) set forth above, together with the Complaint filed against you, the current status of the construction project, including any resolution between you and the Complainant. The Board may take disciplinary action against your license, including but not limited to: denial, suspension or revocation of your ability to obtain a building permit in Escambia County.

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Any disciplinary action taken by the Board shall be submitted to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Contractor Industry Licensing Board, in Tallahassee within 15 days after the Contractor Competency Board takes action along with a recommendation that the Board's action be upheld.

If you fail to appear at this hearing, the Board may proceed with disciplinary recommendations against your license. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned by telephone at (850) 595-4560 or by email at [jhampton@co.escambia.fl.us](mailto:jhampton@co.escambia.fl.us).

**PLEASE BE GOVERNED ACCORDINGLY.**

Sincerely,

*Jennifer Hampton*

Jennifer Hampton  
*BID Administrative Support to the  
Contractor Competency Board*

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Enclosures: Attachment A – Escambia County permits  
Attachment B – City of Pensacola permits

cc: Donald R. Mayo, Building Official, Escambia County (w/o attachments)  
William Weeks, Building Official, City of Pensacola (via email; w/Attachments A & B)  
Robert Kyles, BID Investigator, Escambia County (w/o attachments)  
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