

STATE LICENSING BOARD FOR CONTRACTORS
COMMERCIAL BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

February 19, 2026

The regular meeting of the Commercial Board was called to order by the Vice Chairman, William Clouatre, on Thursday, February 19, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. at 600 North Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Members of the Board present:

William J. Clouatre, Vice Chairman
Elliott Temple, Secretary
Noah Broussard
Kristen Brown
Adam Guinn
Steven Hackworth
Harvey Honoré
Curtis Joseph
Donald G. Lambert
Andy Lopez
Garland Meredith

Chairman Lee Mallett and members Brian J. Bordelon, Kyle Condon, Kym DiGiovanni, David Gallo, Christopher N. Stuart, and Keith Tillage were absent. There being a quorum present, the regular order of business was called.

Mr. Lopez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Tanika Starks introduced herself as the hearing officer overseeing these proceedings and addressed the audience and board on administrative procedures for hearings.

Mr. Temple made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 14, 2026, residential subcommittee meeting minutes and the January 15, 2026, Commercial Board meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. Joseph. The motion passed.

Kristen McKey, Erika Segura, Susan McCartney, Clay Reavis, Laurie LaRose, Frank Vaughan, Jarrod Watson, Wade Day, Joseph Anderson, Logan Cockerham, Carrie Morgan, Dylan Bourg, and Sean Beavers with the Enforcement Division were sworn in.

No public comment was received.

NEW BUSINESS

D. HEARINGS:

1. **TYRAN HARRIS**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1)
LSLBC Case 2023-1068-04

Tyran Harris was present on behalf of TYRAN HARRIS and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan presented a summary of the allegations. Mr. Harris entered a plea of no contest. On a motion made by Mr. Temple, seconded, and unanimously passed, the plea was accepted. Investigator Kristen McKey, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Ms. McKey reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Exhibits 1, 2A through G, 3 and 4 were introduced by Mr. Larry Demmons into evidence and admitted without objection. Mr. Harris provided testimony to the board. On a motion made by Mr. Temple, seconded by Mr. Joseph, and unanimously passed, the board assessed the maximum fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs to be reduced to \$1,000 plus \$1,000 in administrative costs if Mr. Harris obtains his license within 120 days.

2. **CHARLES DONALD HOLIFIELD D/B/A AAA PAVING & SEALCOAT**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1)
LSLBC Case 2024-0817-04

No one was present on behalf of CHARLES DONALD HOLIFIELD D/B/A AAA PAVING & SEALCOAT. Ms. Morgan presented a summary of the allegations. Investigator Erika Segura, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Ms. Segura reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Exhibits 1, 2A through D, 3 and 4 were introduced by Mr. Demmons into evidence and admitted without objection. On a motion made by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Ms. Brown, and unanimously passed, the board found CHARLES DONALD HOLIFIELD D/B/A AAA PAVING & SEALCOAT in violation. On a motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board assessed the maximum fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

3. **STEFANIE BLANKENSHIP**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1)
LSLBC Case 2024-1171-12

Stefanie Blankenship and Greg Griffin were present on behalf of STEFANIE BLANKENSHIP and were sworn in. Ms. Morgan presented a summary of the allegations. Ms. Blankenship entered a plea of no contest. On a motion made by Mr. Temple, seconded by Mr. Joseph, and unanimously passed, the plea was accepted. Investigator Kristen McKey, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Ms. McKey reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Exhibits 1, 2A through E, 3 and 4 were introduced by Mr. Demmons into evidence and admitted without objection. Ms. Blankenship and Mr. Griffin provided testimony to the board. On a motion made by Mr. Temple, seconded by Mr. Joseph, and unanimously passed, the board assessed the maximum fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs to be reduced to \$1,000 plus \$1,000 in administrative costs if the license is obtained within 120 days.

4. **JAMES CULPEPPER D/B/A FOAM TECH SPRAY FOAM INSULATION INC.**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(2)
LSLBC Case 2024-0936-01

No one was present on behalf of JAMES CULPEPPER D/B/A FOAM TECH SPRAY FOAM INSULATION INC. Ms. Morgan presented a summary of the allegations. Investigator Wade Day, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Day reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Exhibits 1, 2A, 2B, 3 and 4 were introduced by Mr. Demmons into evidence and admitted without objection. On a motion made, seconded by Mr. Temple, and unanimously passed, the board found JAMES CULPEPPER D/B/A FOAM TECH SPRAY FOAM INSULATION INC guilty. On a motion made by Mr. Temple, seconded by Ms. Brown, and unanimously passed, the board assessed \$1,000 in administrative costs.

5. **PEAKE PROFESSIONAL GROUP, LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1)
LSLBC Case 2025-0441-02

No one was present on behalf of PEAKE PROFESSIONAL GROUP, LLC. Ms. Morgan presented a summary of the allegations. Investigator Susan McCartney, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Ms. McCartney reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Exhibits 1, 2A, 2B, 3 and 4 were introduced by Mr. Demmons into evidence and admitted without objection. On a motion made by Mr. Temple, seconded by Mr. Joseph, and unanimously passed, the board found PEAKE PROFESSIONAL GROUP, LLC guilty. On a motion made by Mr. Temple, seconded by Mr. Joseph, and unanimously passed, the board assessed the maximum fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

6. **JERRY KACHEL, BUILDER, INC.**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(7)
LSLBC Case 2024-1510-01

Scott Beam was present on behalf of JERRY KACHEL, BUILDER, INC. and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan presented a summary of the allegations. Mr. Beam entered a plea of no contest. On a motion made by Mr. Temple, seconded by Mr. Joseph, and unanimously passed, the plea was accepted. Investigator Clay Reavis, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Mr. Reavis reviewed

the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Exhibits 1, 2A through C, 3 and 4 were introduced by Mr. Demmons into evidence and admitted without objection. Mr. Beam provided testimony to the board. On a motion made by Mr. Temple, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board assessed a fine of \$3,500 plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

7. **RED STAG LAND MANAGEMENT, LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1)
LSLBC Case 2025-0498-01

No one was present on behalf of RED STAG LAND MANAGEMENT, LLC. Ms. Morgan presented a summary of the allegations. Investigator Laurie LaRose, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Ms. LaRose reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Exhibits 1, 2A through G, 3 and 4 were introduced by Mr. Demmons into evidence and admitted without objection. On a motion made by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Temple, and unanimously passed, the board found RED STAG LAND MANAGEMENT, LLC in violation. On a motion made by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Temple, and unanimously passed, the board assessed the maximum fine plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

8. **BOWEN ELECTRIC AND HANDY SERVICE LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1)
LSLBC Case 2025-1079-03

On a motion made by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Temple, and unanimously passed, the board granted a continuance for BOWEN ELECTRIC AND HANDY SERVICE LLC.

9. **BOWEN ELECTRIC AND HANDY SERVICE LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1)
LSLBC Case 2023-1316-02

On a motion made by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Temple, and unanimously passed, the board granted a continuance for BOWEN ELECTRIC AND HANDY SERVICE LLC.

10. **BOWEN ELECTRIC AND HANDY SERVICE LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1)
LSLBC Case 2025-1076-03

On a motion made by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Temple, and unanimously passed, the board granted a continuance for BOWEN ELECTRIC AND HANDY SERVICE LLC.

11. **GALAFORO COMPANIES LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1)
LSLBC Case 2024-0924-03

Paul Michael Galaforo Jr. was present on behalf of GALAFORO COMPANIES LLC and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan presented a summary of the allegations. Mr. Galaforo entered a plea of no contest. On a motion made by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Temple, and unanimously passed, the plea was accepted. Investigator Susan McCartney, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Ms. McCartney reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Exhibits 1, 2A, 2B, 3 and 4 were introduced by Mr. Demmons into evidence and admitted without objection. Mr. Galaforo provided testimony to the board. On a motion made by Mr. Temple, seconded by Mr. Joseph, and unanimously passed, the board assessed a fine of \$2,500 plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

12. a) **GALAFORO COMPANIES LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1)
LSLBC Case 2024-1316-02

Paul Michael Galaforo Jr. was present on behalf of GALAFORO COMPANIES LLC and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan presented a summary of the allegations. Mr. Galaforo entered a plea of no contest. On a motion made by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Temple, and unanimously passed, the plea was accepted. Investigator Susan McCartney, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Ms. McCartney reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Exhibits 1, 2A through C, 3 and 4 were introduced by Mr. Demmons into evidence and admitted without objection. Mr. Galaforo provided testimony to the board. On a motion made by Mr. Temple,

seconded by Mr. Joseph, and unanimously passed, the board assessed a fine of \$2,500 plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

b) **GALAFORO COMPANIES LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1)
LSLBC Case 2024-1316-03

Paul Michael Galaforo Jr. was present on behalf of GALAFORO COMPANIES LLC and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan presented a summary of the allegations. Mr. Galaforo entered a plea of no contest. On a motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the plea was accepted. Investigator Susan McCartney, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Ms. McCartney reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Exhibits 1, 2A, 2B, 3 and 4 were introduced by Mr. Demmons into evidence and admitted without objection. Mr. Galaforo provided testimony to the board. On a motion made by Mr. Temple, seconded, and unanimously passed, the board assessed a fine of \$2,500 plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

13. **GALAFORO COMPANIES LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1)
LSLBC Case 2024-1318-03

Paul Michael Galaforo Jr. was present on behalf of GALAFORO COMPANIES LLC and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan presented a summary of the allegations. Mr. Galaforo entered a plea of no contest. On a motion made by Mr. Temple, seconded by Mr. Joseph, and unanimously passed, the plea was accepted. Investigator Susan McCartney, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Ms. McCartney reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Exhibits 1, 2A through 2C, 3 and 4 were introduced by Mr. Demmons into evidence and admitted without objection. Mr. Galaforo provided testimony to the board. On a motion made by Mr. Temple, seconded by Mr. Broussard, and unanimously passed, the board assessed a fine of \$2,500 plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

14. **GALAFORO COMPANIES LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1)
LSLBC Case 2024-1398-01

Paul Michael Galaforo Jr. was present on behalf of GALAFORO COMPANIES LLC and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan presented a summary of the allegations. Mr. Galaforo entered a plea of no contest. On a motion made by Mr. Temple, seconded by Mr. Joseph, and unanimously passed, the plea was accepted. Investigator Susan McCartney, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Ms. McCartney reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Exhibits 1, 2A through C, 3 and 4 were introduced by Mr. Demmons into evidence and admitted without objection. Mr. Galaforo provided testimony to the board. On a motion made by Mr. Temple, seconded by Mr. Honoré, and unanimously passed, the board assessed a fine of \$2,500 plus \$1,000 in administrative costs.

15. **TCB CONSTRUCTORS LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(22)
LSLBC Case 2025-1891-01

On a motion made by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Temple, and unanimously passed, the board granted a continuance for TCB CONSTRUCTORS LLC.

16. **TCB CONSTRUCTORS LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(22)
LSLBC Case 2025-1892-01

On a motion made by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Temple, and unanimously passed, the board granted a continuance for TCB CONSTRUCTORS LLC.

17. **CRUZ CONSTRUCTION, LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(22)
LSLBC Case 2025-1652-01

On a motion made by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Temple, and unanimously passed, the board granted a continuance for CRUZ CONSTRUCTION, LLC.

18. **REDSTICK ROOFING SPECIALISTS LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(6), Rules and Regulations 129(A)
LSLBC Case 2025-0308-01

Ryan Sharp was present on behalf of REDSTICK ROOFING SPECIALISTS LLC and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan presented a summary of the allegations. Mr. Sharp entered a plea of no contest. On a motion made by Mr. Temple, seconded by Mr. Joseph, and unanimously passed, the plea was accepted. Investigator Kristen McKey, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Ms. McKey reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Exhibits 1, 2A through D, 3 and 4 were introduced by Mr. Demmons into evidence and admitted without objection. Mr. Sharp provided testimony to the board. On a motion made by Ms. Brown, seconded by Mr. Temple, and unanimously passed, the board assessed \$1,000 in administrative costs, and ordered the license be suspended if Mr. Sharp does not provide the requested documentation within 10 business days.

19. a) **FLICK HOMES LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(2) and (22)
LSLBC Case 2025-1749-01

James Flick was present on behalf of FLICK HOMES LLC and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan presented a summary of the allegations. Mr. Flick entered a plea of no contest. On a motion made by Mr. Temple, seconded by Mr. Honoré, and unanimously passed, the plea was accepted. Investigator Susan McCartney, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Ms. McCartney reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Exhibits 1, 2A through D, 3 and 4 were introduced by Mr. Demmons into evidence and admitted without objection. Mr. Flick provided testimony to the board. On a motion made by Mr. Temple, seconded by Mr. Joseph, and unanimously passed, the board assessed a fine of \$15,000 plus \$1,000 in administrative costs, to be reduced to \$1,000 plus \$1,000 if the license is obtained within 180 days.

- b) **COWBOY & SONS LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(22)
LSLBC Case 2025-1749-02

John Patterson was present on behalf of COWBOY & SONS LLC and was sworn in. Ms. Morgan presented a summary of the allegations. Mr. Patterson entered a plea of no contest. On a motion made by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Temple, and unanimously passed, the plea was accepted. Investigator Susan McCartney, who was previously sworn, was called to the stand. Ms. McCartney reviewed the exhibit packet and provided testimony to the board. Exhibits 1, 2A through C, 3 and 4 were introduced by Mr. Demmons into evidence and admitted without objection. Mr. Patterson provided testimony to the board. On a motion made by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Temple, and unanimously passed, the board assessed \$1,000 in administrative costs, and ordered the license be suspended if Mr. Patterson does not provide the requested documentation within 10 business days.

20. a) **DYLAN JOSEPH MANALE**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(6), Rules and Regulations 113(B)
LSLBC Case 2025-1482-01

On a motion made by Mr. Temple, seconded by Mr. Joseph, and unanimously passed, the board granted a continuance for DYLAN JOSEPH MANALE.

- b) **LONE WOLF ROOFING LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(5)
LSLBC Case 2025-1482-02

On a motion made by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Temple, and unanimously passed, the board granted a continuance for LONE WOLF ROOFING LLC.

E. **SETTLEMENT OFFERS:**

Ms. Morgan presented the settlement offers. Mr. Demmons entered the exhibit packets into evidence, and they were admitted. On a motion made by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Meredith, and unanimously passed, the board accepted the settlement offers 1 through 5 as presented, which included pleas of no contest to the violations.

1. **VEHO HOSPITALITY GROUP, LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1)
LSLBC Case 2025-0590-02
2. **BUILTECH SERVICES, LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(7), 4 counts
LSLBC Case 2025-1059-01
3. **JOHN C. MCCLURE D/B/A ELECTRICAL CONNECTION** La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1)
LSLBC Case 2024-0602-02
4. **MAYORGA CONSTRUCTION ROOTER SERVICE, LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1)
LSLBC Case 2024-0549-01
5. **THE A/C GUYS OF WESTLAKE LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2160(A)(1)
LSLBC Case 2025-1081-01

F. REHEARING REQUESTS WITH SETTLEMENT OFFERS:

Ms. Morgan presented the rehearing requests with settlement offers. Mr. Demmons entered the exhibit packets into evidence and they were admitted. On motions made by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Temple, and unanimously passed, the board granted the rehearing requests and accepted the settlement offers as presented, which included pleas of no contest to the violations.

1. **TRS ROOFING SYSTEMS – HOUSTON LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(1)
LSLBC Case 2024-1378-02
2. **THOTH CONSTRUCTION LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(7)
LSLBC Case 2024-0924-04

G. STATUTORY CITATION:

Ms. Morgan presented the statutory citation. Mr. Demmons entered the exhibit packets into evidence, and they were admitted. On a motion made by Mr. Temple, seconded by Mr. Joseph, and unanimously passed, the board accepted the statutory citation as presented.

1. **DELTA CONSTRUCTION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT LLC**, La. R.S. 37:2158(A)(7)
LSLBC Case 2024-0817-03

H. EXEMPTION REQUESTS:

Based on committee recommendations, Mr. Guinn made a motion to approve the applications of exemptions from exam as listed on the agenda for items 2 through 4, seconded by Mr. Joseph and passed unanimously. A decision for Item 1 (Herazo, Enrique Henry) was deferred until possibly March of 2026.

1. Herazo, Enrique Henry – Building: Highway, Street, and Bridge (Deferred)
2. Mercante, Daniel – Building (Denied)
3. Ward, Darryl – Building (Approved)
4. Young, Lonnie - Driveways, Parking Areas, Asphalt and Concrete; Permanent or Paved Highways and Streets (Asphalt and Concrete) (Approved)

I. REPORTS:

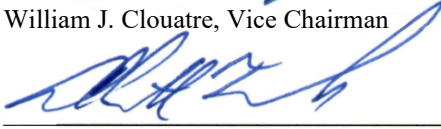
1. Treasurer Report – On a motion made by Mr. Lopez, seconded by Mr. Joseph, and unanimously passed, the board approved the 2026 proposed operating budget for Louisiana State Licensing Board for Contractors as presented.
2. Staff Report – Licensing and Enforcement remain understaffed. While restructuring is expected to improve issuance timelines, some renewals are delayed as the department addresses a backlog of background checks. Enforcement remains behind schedule due to personnel shortages.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the meeting was adjourned at 11:06 a.m.



William J. Clouatre, Vice Chairman



Elliott Temple, Secretary