

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **NACOGDOCHES BUILDER SUED FOR CONSTRUCTING CONDEMNED BUILDING**

(Nacogdoches, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022) Nacogdoches Texas builder, Williams Contracting, has been sued under the Texas Deceptive Trade Practices Act for constructing a residential structure of such poor quality that it was condemned by a professional engineer who recommended it be demolished before it was even completed.

Construction on the north Nacogdoches County single-story residential building began in late January 2020. Despite being *paid in full* by the property owner and being allowed months to make repairs for severe water leaking, Williams Contracting never completed necessary repairs.

In October, 2020 a professional engineer hired by the property owner to inspect the construction found that the building's framing was "substandard and dangerous," and that the roof was "very dangerous" and at risk of imminent collapse.

The engineer warned the owner on November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020 that there were so many construction defects present in the structure that he recommended "demolishing the entire superstructure above the slab, and reconstructing the studio building on an improved, or replaced, concrete foundation."

The owner's remediation contractors had to rebuild the entire dwelling, including redoing the foundation, installing piers and metal supports, installing metal trusses in the ceiling, straightening the bulging walls, replacing cracked and bulging sheetrock, among other repairs.

Immediately following the ice and snowstorm that hit Nacogdoches during the week of February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021, the professional engineer sent another letter to the owner concluding that "the roof framing was constructed in a discontinuous manner and the weak joints would have failed catastrophically" under the weight of ice and snow had the structure not been rebuilt.

Legal papers filed in the case show Williams Contracting had never built a building or foundation of 50 x 60 size before. Williams Contracting's subcontractors have testified there were directed to build the building dangerously including installing faulty electrical wiring, incorrect plumbing and exterior panels installed backwards.

The lawsuit is Cause Number C2036115 and is pending in the 145<sup>th</sup> District Court of Nacogdoches, TX. The lawsuit is waiting for a ruling from the district court on a request for a summary judgment. The motion can be found [here](#).

A copy of the lawsuit and reports from the professional engineer can be downloaded [here](#), or can be obtained from the Nacogdoches County District Clerk, 101 West Main St., Suite 110, Nacogdoches, TX 75961.

Williams Contracting is represented by Henderson TX attorney Ron Adkison.

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