IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF C. GREGG RUFFENNACH AGAINST THE MARYLAND HOME IMPROVEMENT GUARANTY FUND ON ACCOUNT OF ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF ROBERT DEAL MARYLAND HOME IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION

Case No. 15 (05) 611

FINAL ORDER

On this 6th day of July, 2016, Panel B of the Maryland Home Improvement Commission ORDERS that:

- 1) On or about April 28, 2014, the Respondent, Robert Deal, entered into a home improvement contract under the Respondent's Maryland Home Improvement Commission license (# 106379) with the Claimant, C. Greg Ruffennach.
- 2) Pursuant to Business Regulation Article, §8-408(b)(3)(i), Annotated Code of Maryland, the Claimant has provided the Commission with a copy of a final civil judgment, dated December 18, 2015, with all rights of appeal exhausted, in which the District Court for Queen Anne's County found on the merits that the conditions precedent to recovery, as set forth in Business Regulation Article, §8-405(a), Annotated Code of Maryland, have been met, and found that the Claimant sustained an actual loss of \$30,000.00.
- 3) Pursuant to Business Regulation Article, §8-405(e)(1), Annotated Code of Maryland, the Commission may not award more than \$20,000.00 from the Home Improvement Guaranty Fund for any one claim.

4) The Commission directs payment from the Home Improvement Guaranty Fund of \$20,000.00 to the Claimant, C. Greg Ruffennach.

5) Pursuant to Business Regulation Article, §8-411(a), Annotated Code of Maryland, any home improvement licenses held by the Respondent, Robert Deal, shall be Suspended, and

the Respondent shall be ineligible for any home improvement licenses, until the Respondent has

repaid any money paid from the Home Improvement Guaranty Fund pursuant to this Order, with

10 percent annual interest.

6) The records and publications of the Maryland Home Improvement Commission shall

reflect this decision.

7) The payment to the Claimant from the Home Improvement Guaranty Fund shall be

authorized thirty (30) days from the date of this Order. During the thirty (30) day period, any

party may file an appeal of this decision to Circuit Court.

Joseph Tunney

Chair - Panel B

ROBERT DEAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT

FOR

Petitioner

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY

MARYLAND HOME IMPROVEMENT *
COMMISSION

CASE NO. C-17-CV-16-000014

Respondent

ORDER

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Judge

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