

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE CLAIM OF TAMIKA AND
DENNIS MCCAMERY
AGAINST THE
MARYLAND HOME IMPROVEMENT
GUARANTY FUND ON ACCOUNT OF
ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF
DONNIE BLUE AND DB HOME
HOME IMPROVEMENT, INC.**

**MARYLAND HOME
IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION**

Case No. 24-920

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FINAL ORDER

On this 8th day of October 2024, Panel B of the Maryland Home Improvement Commission
ORDERS that:

1. 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 Arbitration Award dated June 28, 2023, in which the arbitrator 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 \$15,359.89.
2. The Commission, in a letter dated August 30, 2024, advised Respondent that the Commission intended to award the Claimant \$15,359.89 and that the Respondent had 21 days to submit to the Commission any reasons why the Commission should not pay the award to the Claimant.
3. The Respondent timely replied to the Commission's letter in a letter dated September 9, 2024.
4. The Respondent asserted that the Commission should not pay the award to the Claimants because the arbitrator erred in finding that the Claimants suffered an actual loss because the

Claimants did not allow it to correct deficiencies in its performance of the Claimant's home improvement.

5. The Commission holds that the Respondent's allegation of error by the arbitrator is not grounds to withhold payment of an award to the Claimants because the Circuit Court for Prince George's County affirmed the Arbitration Award in an order entered on March 11, 2024, that is now final.

6. The Respondent further asserted that the Commission should not pay the award to the Claimants because it submitted the Arbitration Award to its insurer for payment to the Claimants.

7. The Commission holds that the Respondent's alleged submission of the Arbitration Award to its insurer for payment to the Claimants, if true, is not grounds to withhold payment of an award to the Claimants because the insurer has not yet paid the Claimants for the Arbitration Award.

8. The Commission directs payment from the Home Improvement Guaranty Fund of \$15,359.89 to the Claimants.

9. Pursuant to Business Regulation Article, §8-411(a), Annotated Code of Maryland, any home improvement licenses held by the Respondent, Donnie Blue and DB Home Improvement, Inc., 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.

10. The Commission shall be subrogated to all rights of the Claimant in the claim up to the amount paid from the Guaranty Fund to the Claimant.

11. The records and publications of the Maryland Home Improvement Commission shall reflect this decision.

Bruce Zuackebush
Acting Chair