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## CSLB Consumer Alert: Nevada Most Wanted Suspects May Be Working in Northern California

Two men charged with six felony counts and possible elder abuse

Board (CSLB) is warning northern California consumers that two men with Nevada arrest warrants now may be illegally contracting in the Redding area.

The Nevada State Contractors Board (NSCB) announced that Joshua Ross Kanan of Advanced Green Builders, Inc., and Dror Gal, who was allegedly was acting as a salesman for the company, were added to its Most Wanted list after arrest warrants against each were issued.

Each man's warrant contains six charges of theft and diversion of construction funds, both felonies.



Joshua Ross Kanan

**Dror Gal** 

Kanan did have a CSLB license (#938261) for a company called "Advanced Green Builders, Inc." from 2009 until it expired in September 2013. Kanan's Nevada contractor licenses, with the same company name, are currently suspended.

Both men are now believed to be working under the company name of Solar Universe in and around the Redding area.

While working as an Advanced Green Builders, Inc. salesman for Kanan, Gal apparently wrote three contracts for solar-related projects and collected about \$9,500 from clients, but none of the projects was completed.

Kanan and Gal also are being charged for allegedly using a fictitious address on two contracts, using another contractor's company name without their permission, and fleeing Nevada when confronted about the fraudulent actions. NSCB has requested enhanced elder abuse charges for Kanan and Gal because five of the alleged victims were 60 years of age or older.

Anyone who knows the whereabouts of Kanan or Gal can contact their local police or sheriff's department. After contacting local law enforcement, call CSLB at (916) 255-2924 for Northern California or (559) 445-5583 for Central California to speak to an enforcement representative.

CSLB encourages consumers to always "Check The License First" by visiting <a href="www.cslb.ca.gov">www.cslb.ca.gov</a> or calling CSLB's toll-free automated line 800.321.CSLB (2752). Also, visit CSLB's website for <a href="tips">tips</a> about how to hire a contractor and to sign up for <a href="CSLB Email Alerts">CSLB Email Alerts</a>.

The Contractors State License Board operates under the umbrella of the California <u>Department of Consumer Affairs</u>. More information and publications about hiring contractors are available on the CSLB website or by calling 800-321-CSLB (2752). CSLB licenses and regulates California's 300,000 contractors, and is regarded as one of the leading consumer protection agencies in the United States. In fiscal year 2012-13, CSLB helped recover nearly \$44 million in ordered restitution for consumers.

## **Other Resources**

- Nevada State Contractors Board News Release
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