

The Written Warranty Committee of the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors met via conference call on October 31, 2007 at the Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive in Macon, Georgia for the purpose of discussing business.

Members Present:

Philip Thayer, Chairman
Bob Barnard

Members Absent:

Mark Herbert

Others Present:

Kyle Floyd, Executive Director
Scarlett Elliott, Board Attorney
Ed Phillips, HBAG

Committee Chairman Philip Thayer called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m. and declared a quorum.

Bob Barnard began discussion. Ed Philips joined in about timing and when the warranty must be offered. Scarlett Elliott suggested that Number 2 under the Warranty Requirements heading of the proposed revision to Board Rule 553-7 looks like it requires a warranty at the time of the contract rather than at closing, so if that's not the committee's intent, it should be changed and made clear when a warranty must be provided.

Mr. Barnard moved, and Mr. Thayer seconded, that the proposed language, as well as further discussion about when the warranty must be offered, should be taken to the Residential Division at the November meeting.

It was further discussed that O.C.G.A. § 43-41-7 should be looked at more closely as it only applies to residential contractors and fails to take into consideration that general contractors can build a single family dwelling without having to offer a written warranty.

Chairman Thayer adjourned the meeting at 2:17 p.m.