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# **DIRECTOR'S ORDER UNDER SECTION 157**

## OF THE CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT (formerly the Fair Trading Act)

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## **REMI YVON CORBIERE**

#### AND

## **REMI'S RENO TEAM LTD.**

# AND ANY EMPLOYEE, REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT, OR ASSOCIATE OF REMI YVON CORBIERE AND/OR REMI'S RENO TEAM LTD.

This Director's Order was issued under s. 157(1) of the *Fair Trading Act* in response to, in the opinion of the Director, contraventions of the Act. As mandated by s. 157.1(1) of the *Consumer Protection Act*, the Director must maintain a public record of Director's Orders.

## **REMI YVON CORBIERE** has appealed this Director's Order.

Albertans who have questions or concerns about this business are encouraged to contact the Service Alberta Consumer Contact Centre at 1-877-427-4088.

For more information on the *Consumer Protection Act*, business licensing in Alberta or to search for a licensed business, please click here:

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#### Issues

The Consumer Investigations Unit of Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction has opened an investigation into the activities of Remi Corbiere operating as Remi's Reno Team Ltd.

The investigation was opened based on intelligence gathered during a covert operation to determine if businesses were operating in compliance with Alberta's consumer protection legislation. The Consumer Investigations Unit, South, Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction obtained evidence that Remi Corbiere operating as Remi's Reno Team Ltd. was operating without possessing a Prepaid Contracting Business Licence.

In 2019, Mr. Corbiere was provided an advisory letter regarding licensing requirements in Alberta. In 2022 he was provided another advisory letter regarding licensing requirements as well as contract and cancellation requirements.

#### Legislation

Consumer Protection Act

Section 104(1) No person may engage in a designated business unless the person holds a licence under this Act that authorizes the person to engage in that business.

#### Designation of Trades and Business Regulation

Section 10(2) In this section,

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- (a) "construction or maintenance contract" means a contract for the purpose of
  - (i) constructing, altering, maintaining, repairing, adding to or improving
    - (A) a building that is used or is to be used by the owner, occupier or person in control of it as the owner's, occupier's or person's own private dwelling, or
    - (B) a structure that is to be used in connection with a building referred to in paragraph (A) and that is located on the same parcel as that building,
    - or
  - (ii) altering, maintaining or improving real property to be used in connection with a building or structure referred to in subclause (i),
  - (b) "prepaid contract" means a construction or maintenance contract in which all or part of the contract price is to be paid before all the goods or services called for in the contract are provided;
  - (c) "prepaid contracting business" means the activities of soliciting, negotiating or concluding in person, at any place other than the seller's place of business, a prepaid contract.

# ORDER

Remi Yvon Corbiere and Remi's Reno Team Ltd. and any employee, representative, or agent of Remi Yvon Corbiere and/or Remi's Reno Team Ltd. must immediately:

• cease entering into prepaid contracts with consumers until the licensing requirements have been met.

# **NON-COMPLIANCE WITH ORDER**

ANY PERSON WHO FAILS TO COMPLY WITH AN ORDER OF THE DIRECTOR UNDER SECTION 157 OF THE CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT CONTRAVENES THIS ACT AND IS GUILTY OF AN OFFENCE AND MAY BE PROSECTUED PURSUANT TO SECTION 163 OF THE CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT.

Scott Hood Director of Fair Trading (as delegated) August 16, 2023