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**Wichita, Kansas** - A Wichita general contractor refunded \$20,500 to two former customers this week as part of a plea agreement with the Sedgwick County District Attorney's office.

Christopher Sampson, 43, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of deceptive commercial practice, a misdemeanor, on Wednesday in Sedgwick County District Court. Sampson was accused of taking money from two homeowners for residential remodeling projects and not completing the work. Prosecutors dismissed an additional count of felony theft.

As part of his plea, Sampson issued two cashier's checks to his former customers to refund money paid to him. Sampson also agreed to an additional \$12,000 in restitution to one of the victims. The projects involved an attached garage and an addition.

The charge of deceptive commercial practice involves using deception, fraud or false promise to induce the sale of merchandise or the purchase of services, including remodeling. The case was investigated by the Investigations Division of the District Attorney's office.

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