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**Wichita, Kansas** - A Wichita contractor was placed on five years of probation Monday and ordered to pay more than \$16,000 to two Sedgwick County homeowners for home improvement work that was never completed.

Ricky Moyer, 30, owner of Rick's Tree and Landscape, previously entered a no contest plea to a single count of felony theft in Sedgwick County District Court. He was sentenced Monday by Sedgwick County District Court Judge Ben Burgess after hearing statements from the two homeowners regarding their losses.

Burgess ordered an 11-month prison sentence for Moyer, but granted Moyer an extended probation to repay the victims for their losses. Moyer could serve the prison sentence if he violates probation.

One of the victims was a Wichita woman who paid Moyer \$11,000 in 2014 to cut down two trees and build a shed on a concrete slab. The other victim, a retired man from Derby, paid Moyer more than \$15,000 in 2015 to trim trees, lay sod, pour concrete and build a shed. Both victims hired other contractors to finish the work.

The cases were investigated by the District Attorney's Consumer Protection Division and the Derby Police Department.

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