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WICHITA, KAN. – A construction contractor and his company have been ordered to pay over \$44,000 by District Court Judge David Dahl for engaging in deceptive and unconscionable acts. The matter was brought by the Office of the District Attorney's Consumer Protection Division.

The Court found that Bradley A. Rogers and his company Rogers Contracting LLC failed to pull permits, call for inspections, and obtain a certificate of occupancy on a residential project. The Court found those failures to be deceptive and unconscionable under the Kansas Consumer Protection Act (KCPA). In addition, the Court found Rogers failed to comply with the KCPA's three-day right to cancel and Rogers violated a consent judgment entered into with the District Attorney's Office in November of 2017.

As part of the ruling, the Court ordered Rogers to pay the homeowner/victim \$5,400. The Court ruled that if Rogers defaults on payments, the District Attorney could argue for an injunction to prohibit Rogers from operating or engaging in consumer transactions within Sedgwick County. Judge Dahl issued his ruling April 24, 2019. The investigation was conducted by the Consumer Protection Division after receiving a complaint from the homeowner.

The District Attorney reminds residents that contractors for many residential projects are required to be qualified and licensed by the Metropolitan Area Building and Construction Department (MABCD). Work may also require permits, inspections and certificates of occupancy to insure the work is safe and up to code. Some trades have additional duties, for example, roofers are required to register with the Attorney General's Office. Anyone conducting "door-to-door" sales must provide residents with a three-day right to cancel which is available at K.S.A. 50-640.

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