



# The Inspector

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## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Monthly reporting must be postmarked by the 15th. Even if the 15th is a Sunday.
- All renewal applications that are past due will be fined a \$100 late fee.
- Your report should not reference the Standards of Practice of other entities.

## 2013 MEETING DATES

- March 1, 2013
- June 7, 2013
- September 6, 2013
- December 6, 2013

All LSBHI Board meetings will commence at 9am unless otherwise noted. Special meetings, when needed, will be broadcasted. All meetings will be held at 4664 Jamestown Ave. Suite 220 Baton Rouge LA 70808

## 2013 Third Quarter

The LSBHI's 3rd Quarter Board meeting was held September 6, 2013 in Baton Rouge. The Board had only one complaint on this meeting's agenda. (see page 2)

The Board reviewed the application for McKissock Education as an online continuing education provider. The Board voted unanimously to approve McKissock Education.

Board Attorney, Albert Nicaud, spoke to the Board in regards to Senate Resolution No. 128. The State Senate requested that the Board study applicable Laws and rules to determine whether amendments are necessary in order to

expand the scope of practice of home inspectors to ensure that Louisiana home buyers are adequately protected and informed about the condition of residential resale buildings. More specifically, the Senate requested the Board address whether LHIs should report on the life expectancy of systems and components and whether they should report on mold and environmental hazards. The LSBHI made a comparison with the laws of other states and found that Louisiana was in line with all other states in not requiring reporting of the above. The Board concluded that to require LHIs to report on mold

and life expectancy would be impractical and not in line with national standards. The Board had Mr. Nicaud draft a final letter to the Senate, which will be voted on at the December Board meeting.

The Board then discussed the proper way to report on Polybutylene "plastic piping" in homes. The Board noted that if you see this type of piping in a home you must note it and state that it may need further inspection. Our minimum requirements in our Standards state that a LHI should report the type of piping. I.E. copper, plastic, galvanized etc....

The Board meeting was Adjourned by Cal Grevemberg at 10:46 A.M.

## Special Investigative Entity

The Board is looking for licensed home inspectors who are interested in being on the list of approved SIE's. In order to qualify you must:

- Performed a minimum of 300 inspections
- Licensed for a minimum of 3 years
- No violations or pending complaints
- Current on all licensing requirements

If you are interested please contact Morgan at [Morgan@lsbhi.la.gov](mailto:Morgan@lsbhi.la.gov)

# Complaints

**C-13-005 Smallhorn v. Maxcy LHI# 10349**– Both parties were present as well as Mr. Maxcy’s attorney Beau Layfield. The Complaint, filed by a real estate agent, alleged that Mr. Maxcy sold a prior report from a previous potential buyer to a subsequent prospective purchaser. The Board ruled in favor of the complainant and found Mr. Maxcy in violation of the following:

**LAC46XL.501B.5**– *The LHI shall not receive compensation from more than one party per inspection unless agreed to by the client(s).*

**LAC46XL.501B.8**– *The LHI shall act in good faith toward each client and other interested parties.*

**LAC46XL.501B.12**– *The LHI shall avoid activities that may harm the public, discredit himself or reduce public confidence in the profession.*

The Board then fined Mr. Maxcy \$100.00 per violation. Totaling \$300.00. Kevin Dinkel abstained from voting.

Success is to be measured not so much by the position that one has reached in life as by the obstacles which he has overcome.

–[Booker T. Washington](#)

**20<sup>th</sup> anniversary** The Inspection Event of the Year!  
**InspectionConference.com**  
 Las Vegas October 20-24

January 12-15, 2014  
 Renaissance Nashville Hotel  
**InspectionWorld Nashville**  
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# Statistics Corner

The Louisiana State Board of Home Inspectors would like to recognize our newest Licensed Home Inspectors for 2013. These inspectors were licensed during the 3rd quarter of 2013:

Monthly	Reporting Totals	
	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
January	1890	2242
February	2292	2440
March	2791	2997
April	2806	3399
May	2935	3357
June	2679	3038
July	2715	3093
August	2468	2912
September	2026	—
October	2596	—
November	2017	—
December	1741	—

- **I 0833 Gabrielle LeBlanc**
- **I 0834 Brian Burge**
- **I 0835 Bryan Dunn**
- **I 0836 Sheamus Parish**
- **I 0837 Marvin Woodward**
- **I 0175 Carrie Booker**
- **I 0838 Jade LeFleur**
- **I 0839 Jeremy Self**
- **I 0840 Shane Honore**

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