

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT P.O. BOX 389, TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625-0389

Ronald Bussey, President and Individually, and Buzzy's Carpet, Inc Po Box 296 Jamesburg NJ 08831 January 26, 2024

Re: PC-443-1123-SEL
Trenton Mercer Airport
flooring
The County of Mercer

Dear Ronald Bussey:

The Wage and Hour Division and Contract Compliance conducted an inspection of your firm. It has been determined you are in violation of Title 34 which provides that any person who violates any provision of the New Jersey Wage and Hour Law or regulations may be prosecuted, fined, and/or penalized. In addition, the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development has the authority to assess administrative fees based on the amount of back wages, liquidated damages, and misclassification penalty assessed. As a result of our inspection, you may be liable for a Penalty or both a Penalty and Administrative Fee.

Under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 34:11-4.1, an employer is any individual, partnership, association, joint stock company, trust, corporation, the administrator or executor of the estate of a deceased individual, or the receiver, trustee, or successor of any of the same, employing any person in this State. For the purposes of this act, the officers of a corporation and any agents having the management of such corporation shall be deemed to be the employers of the employees of the corporation.

Total Monies Due Employees: These monies are due directly to Employees.

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**Misclassification** Penalty: Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 34:1A-1.18, a misclassification penalty is assessed for each worker not properly classified as an employee. If a misclassification penalty is assessed, the amount is listed on the attached Monies Due Employees Form. The penalty is based up to 5% of the misclassified worker's gross back wages for the past 12 months and is <u>not</u> subject to tax deductions.

Administrative Fee: If back wages, liquidated damages or misclassification penalty are assessed, an administrative fee is due. The fee is equal to a percentage of total monies due employees and is based on your history of violations: 10% for the first violation, 18% for the second violation, and 25% for the third and subsequent violations.

Penalty: The attached Assessment Form provides a brief explanation of each violation, the section of law or regulation violated, and the penalty amount which has been assessed.

### Respond to this Notice within 15 Days of the above Date:

- 1. If you are not contesting this assessment, complete the bottom section of the Assessment Form and submit payment within 15 days of the above date.
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Sincerely,

William Kiss, Section Chief Public Contracts Section 201-618-4541

## Assessment Form

Case No. PC-443-1123-SEL

Buzzy's Carpet, Inc

1/26/2024

Violation of New Jersey Statutes Annotated (N.J.S.A.) and/or New Jersey Administrative Code (N.J.A.C.):

Violation	Citation No.	Penalty
Records - Earned Sick Leave	34:11D-6	\$1,500.00 (\$500 x 3 Employees)
Notification / Posting - Earned Sick Leave		\$1,500.00 (\$500 x 3 Employees) \$1,500.00 (\$500 x 3 Employees)
Unpaid Wages / Late Payment	34:11-4.2 34:11-56.27	\$5,000.00 (\$500 x 5 Employees)
Failure to Pay Prevailing Wage	34:11-56.27 34:11-56.29 / 12:60-2.1	\$2,500.00 (Multiple Violations)
Records - Incomplete Certified Payroll	34.11-30.297 12.00-2.1	\$2,000.00 (manple visitations)
Assessments:	40.440.00	
Total Monies due Employees	\$2,149.92	
Back Wages Liquidated Damages	\$2,149.92 \$0.00	
Misclassification Penalty	\$0.00	
Administrative Fee (25% of Total Mo		
Penalty	° \$12,000.00	
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### Monies Due Employees Form

Ronald Bussey, President and Individually, and Buzzy's Carpet, Inc Po Box 296 Jamesburg NJ 08831

Case No.: PC-443-1123-SEL

1/26/2024

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Employee Name and Mailing Address	SSN	Monies Due Employee
1. Employee No. 533744	xxx-xx-	Gross Back Wages: \$1,648.32 Liquidated Damages: \$0.00 Misclass Penalty: \$0.00 Total Monies Due: \$1,648.32
2. Employee No. 533745	xxx-xx-	Gross Back Wages: \$66.24 Liquidated Damages: \$0.00 Misclass Penalty: \$0.00 Total Monies Due: \$66.24
3. Employee No. 533746	xxx-xx-	Gross Back Wages: \$435.36 Liquidated Damages: \$0.00 Misclass Penalty: \$0.00 Total Monies Due: \$435.36

Total Gross Back Wages Due: \$2,149.92

**Total Liquidated Damages Due: \$0.00** 

**Total Misclass Penalty Due: \$0.00** 

Total Monies Due Employees: \$2,149.92



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Ronald Bussey, President and Individually, and Buzzy's Carpet, Inc Po Box 296 Jamesburg NJ 08831 January 26, 2024

Re: PC-442-1123-PIE

Hamilton Martial Arts Studio/County office

Tile/flooring
County of Mercer

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1.	Employee No. 533246	xxx-xx-	Gross Back Wages: \$527.36 Liquidated Damages: \$0.00 Misclass Penalty: \$0.00 Total Monies Due: \$527.36
2.	Employee No. 533247	xxx-xx-	Gross Back Wages: \$136.24 Liquidated Damages: \$0.00 Misclass Penalty: \$0.00 Total Monies Due: \$136.24

Total Gross Back Wages Due: \$663.60

Total Liquidated Damages Due: \$0.00

Total Misclass Penalty Due: \$0.00

Total Monies Due Employees: \$663.60



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carpet/tile
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Employe	ee Name and Mailing Address	SSN	Monies Due Employee
1. Em	nployee No. 533210	xxx-xx-	Gross Back Wages: \$2,109.44 Liquidated Damages: \$0.00 Misclass Penalty: \$0.00 Total Monies Due: \$2,109.44
2. Em	nployee No. 533211	xxx-xx-	Gross Back Wages: \$544.96 Liquidated Damages: \$0.00 Misclass Penalty: \$0.00 Total Monies Due: \$544.96

Total Gross Back Wages Due: \$2,654.40

Total Liquidated Damages Due: \$0.00

**Total Misclass Penalty Due: \$0.00** 

Total Monies Due Employees: \$2,654.40