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## Shreveport Man Charged with Residential Contractor Fraud



**Melvin Hill**

Shreveport Police Department's White Collar Crimes Unit has charged Melvin Hill, owner of "High-End Painting," with Residential Contractor Fraud following an investigation into allegations of an unfinished home repair contract.

On March 11, 2025, detectives were contacted by a victim who reported that she entered into a contract with Hill on July 2, 2024, for repairs to the interior and exterior of her residence at 3013 Jonquil. Hill quoted a total cost of \$49,000 for the work. The victim paid Hill \$25,000 upfront on July 2, 2024, and an additional \$10,000 on October 17, 2024. However, after receiving the second payment, Hill repeatedly delayed completing the job.

Detectives contacted the Louisiana State Licensing Board for Contractors and confirmed that Hill did not possess a valid residential contractor's license or home improvement registration. Further investigation revealed that Hill was already in custody at Caddo Correctional Center on unrelated charges.

As a result of the investigation, Hill has been formally charged with Residential Contractor Fraud. The Shreveport Police Department urges anyone who may have been a victim of similar fraudulent activity to come forward and contact investigators.