

Dear

The following company is a member of the Illinois Landscape Contractors Association (ILCA) in good standing:

They are members in good standing for the membership period July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016. ILCA is the only state professional organization exclusively for landscape contractors. This letter explains why using a reputable contractor will take some of the guesswork out of your search for a landscape professional.

In the past few years, due to the low barriers of entry into the profession, many companies have sprung up that operate for cash-only, cut corners, or do not possess the proper licenses and insurance. Many consumers have been wooed by the lower prices these companies can offer. ILCA understands the need to save money during difficult times, but there is a big difference between being prudent and being reckless.

There are dangers to using a contractor who does not operate a legal business. For example:

- The property owner, not the contractor, is responsible for injuries or damage if the contractor does not carry the proper insurance.
- If the contractor is not appropriately licensed to do work in your community, the project may be shut down.
- If the company does not comply with federal and state labor laws, the project may be shut down.

Our organization has been committed to helping professional landscape companies for over 50 years. Any landscape company can claim to be a professional. ILCA members have demonstrated that professionalism by affiliating with ILCA. We are committed to not only advancing their best interests, but the best interests of their clients as well.

Best of luck in your search for a landscape professional – the only investment that grows over time.

Regards,



Scott Grams, Executive Director, ILCA

