

Best Investments Siding and Windows

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Jerry Gerald has owned his windows and siding business, Best Investments Siding and Windows, for 38 years. In that time, the company has received its fair share of awards, reinforcing the quality of products and services behind the name. Some awards they have received include the Contractor of the Year award from the National Association of Remodeling Industry, South Central Region 5 Exterior Element as well as countless Better Business Bureau of Excellence awards.

The company takes great pride in their work, always providing quality workmanship at an affordable price. Jerry and his company offer a variety of payment plans in order to assist any and all customers. They do not ask for any money before the job is completed and the customer is satisfied with the job.

This business has worked its way up to earn a prestigious reputation and Jerry wants people to know how to always find upstanding

companies like his when renovating all throughout their homes.

"I want to do the right thing and fix peoples homes up like I've always done, but I want to try to help people more in making a wise decision because there are so many unscrupulous contractors out there. What I want to do to help people out is explain how to find a good contractor," Jerry said.

Jerry has a few helpful hints for people trying to pick the right contractor:

- Do not sign the contract on the first day, even if they offer a great price.
- Check them out with the Better Business Bureau. Their number is 713-868-9500 and they have an automated system where one can find out all about the contractor and if they have had any complaints.
- Look at their license plates to make sure it is a Texas plate and make sure to document them.



- Do not give money down, at least until some work has been done.

- In the state of Texas, contractors are not required to get a license so it is important to look into a company before hiring. Jerry recommends looking at the Greater Homebuilders Association or the National Association of Remodeling Industry when in search for a contractor, as these nonprofit organizations offer contractors the chance to get certified as a contractor in a specific field.

- Check the contractor's references.
- Ask for a copy of the company's insurance and make sure their policy is paid up.

- Do a Google search to make sure the company has a proper business location.

"Getting a good deal does not mean getting the cheapest bid. A good deal is when you get a good quality job at an affordable price," said Jerry.

Jerry knows how important customer-to-contractor relationships are and wants people to receive the best work when renovating their

houses. Best Investments Siding and Windows has a uniquely impressive satisfaction rate of 95.8 percent by Guild Quality Service, Inc. Jerry also makes sure he is always looking out for the community. In 2014, Best Investments Siding and Windows donated 36 windows to Habitat for Humanity to help others in need.

Best Investments Siding and Windows is always trying to cater to its customers, offering all the major brands of windows and a broad selection of siding and stonework. The company also covers almost everything around the exterior of buildings and homes. The business is located at 12314 FM 1960. To contact Jerry, or for more information about Best Investments Siding and Windows, call 281-852-1866 or visit their website at bestinvestmentsidingandwindows.com.



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