

**POLK COUNTY BUILDING INSPECTIONS DEPARTMENT**



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**OWNER EXEMPTION AFFIDAVIT PURSUANT TO G.S. 87-14(a) (1) and  
The Act to Regulate the Practice of General Contracting**

Address and Parcel Identification of Real Property Where Building is to be Constructed or Altered:

\_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_  
**(Print Full Name)**

Hereby claim an exemption from licensure under G.S. 87-1(b) (2) by **initialing** the relevant provision in paragraph 1 and **initialing** paragraphs 2-5 below and attesting to the following:

- 1. \_\_\_\_ I certify that I am the owner of the property set forth above on which this building is to be constructed or altered;  
**OR**  
\_\_\_\_ I am legally authorized to act on behalf of the firm or corporation which is constructing or altering this building on the property owned by the firm or corporation as set forth above (name of firm or corporation):  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_ I will personally superintend and manage all aspects of the construction or alteration of the building and that duty will not be delegated to any person not duly licensed under the terms of Article 1 of Chapter 87 of the General Statutes of North Carolina;
- 3. \_\_\_\_ I will be personally present for all inspections required by the North Carolina State Building Code, unless the plans for the construction or alteration of the building were drawn and sealed by an architect pursuant to Chapter 83A of the General Statutes of North Carolina;
- 4. \_\_\_\_ I understand that a copy of this AFFIDAVIT will be transmitted to the North Carolina Licensing Board for General Contractors for verification that I am validly entitled to claim an exemption under G.S. 87-1(b)(2) for the building construction or alteration specified herein. I further understand that, if the North Carolina Licensing Board for General contractors determines that I was not entitled to claim this exemption, the building permit issued for the building construction or alteration specified herein shall be revoked pursuant to G.S. 153A-362 or G.S. 160A-422.
- 5. \_\_\_\_ "I understand that pursuant to **N.C.G.S. §87-1 on the back of this document**, the building is intended solely for occupancy by myself and my family, my firm or my corporation after completion; and that the building **must be occupied solely** by myself and my family, my firm or my corporation for **at least 12 months** following completion. Further, that I, my firm or my cooperation is in compliance with G.S. 87-14 also on the back of this document."

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Affiant)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Sworn to (or affirmed) and Subscribed before me  
this the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Notary Public

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Notary Public

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

(Notary Stamp or Seal)

**(NOTE: It is a Class F felony to willfully commit perjury in any affidavit taken pursuant to law—G.S. 14-209)**

# NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL STATUTES

## Chapter 87.

### Article 1.

#### General Contractors.

#### § 87-1. "General Contractor" defined; exceptions.

For the purpose of this Article any person or firm or corporation who for a fixed price, commission, fee, or wage, undertakes to bid upon or to construct or who undertakes to superintend or manage, on his own behalf or for any person, firm, or corporation that is not licensed as a general contractor pursuant to this Article, the construction of any building, highway, public utilities, grading or any improvement or structure where the cost of the undertaking is thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) or more, or undertakes to erect a North Carolina labeled manufactured modular building meeting the North Carolina State Building Code, shall be deemed to be a "general contractor" engaged in the business of general contracting in the State of North Carolina.

This section shall not apply to persons or firms or corporations furnishing or erecting industrial equipment, power plan equipment, radial brick chimneys, and monuments.

This section shall not apply to any person or firm or corporation who constructs or alters a building on land owned by that person, firm or corporation provided such building is intended solely for occupancy by that person and his family, firm, or corporation after completion and complies with G.S. 87-14; and if the building is not occupied solely by the person and his family, firm, or corporation for at least 12 months following completion, it shall be presumed that the person, firm, or corporation did not intend the building solely for occupancy by that person and his family, firm, or corporation.

This section shall not apply to any person engaged in the business of farming who constructs or alters a building on land owned by that person and used in the business of farming, when such building is intended for use by that person after completion. (1925, c. 318, s. 1; 1931, c. 62, s. 1; 1937, c. 429, s. 1; 1949, c. 936; 1953, c. 810; 1971, c. 246, s. 1; 1975, c. 279, s. 1; 1981, c. 783, s. 1; 1989, c. 109, s. 1; c. 653, s. 1; 1991 (Reg. Sess., 1992), c. 840, s. 1.)

#### § 87-14. Regulations as to issue of building permits.

(a) Any person, firm, or corporation, upon making application to the building inspector or such other authority of any incorporated city, town, or county in North Carolina charged with the duty of issuing building or other permits for the construction of any building, highway, sewer, grading, or any improvement or structure where the cost thereof is to be thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) or more, shall, before being entitled to the issuance of a permit, satisfy the following:

- (1) Furnish satisfactory proof to the inspector or authority that the person seeking the permit or another person contracting to superintend or manage the construction is duly licensed under the terms of this Article to carry out or superintend the construction or is exempt from licensure under G.S. 87-1(b). If an applicant claims an exemption from licensure pursuant to G.S. 87-1(b)(2), the applicant for the building permit shall execute a verified affidavit attesting to the following:
  - a. That the person is the owner of the property on which the building is being constructed or, in the case of a firm or corporation, is legally authorized to act on behalf of the firm or corporation.
  - b. That the person will personally superintend and manage all aspects of the construction of the building and that the duty will not be delegated to any other person not duly licensed under the terms of this Article.
  - c. That the person will be personally present for all inspections required by the North Carolina State Building Code, unless the plans for the building were drawn and sealed by an architect licensed pursuant to Chapter 83A of the General Statutes.

The building inspector or other authority shall transmit a copy of the affidavit to the Board, who shall verify that the applicant was validly entitled to claim the exemption under G.S. 87-1(b)(2). If the Board determines that the applicant was not entitled to claim the exemption under G.S. 87-1(b)(2), the building permit shall be revoked pursuant to G.S. 153A-362 or G.S. 160A-422.

- (2) Furnish proof that the person has in effect Workers' Compensation insurance as required by Chapter 97 of the General Statutes.

(b) It shall be unlawful for the building inspector or other authority to issue or allow the issuance of a building permit pursuant to this section unless and until the applicant has furnished evidence that the applicant is either exempt from the provisions of this Article and, if applicable, fully complied with the provisions of subdivision (a)(1) of this section, or is duly licensed under this Article to carry out or superintend the work for which permit has been applied; and further, that the applicant has in effect Workers' Compensation insurance as required by Chapter 97 of the General Statutes. Any building inspector or other authority who is subject to and violates the terms of this section shall be guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor and subject only to a fine of not more than fifty dollars (\$50.00). (1925, c. 318, s. 13; 1931, c. 62, s. 4; 1937, c. 429, s. 7; 1949, c. 934; 1953, c. 809; 1969, c. 1063, s. 6; 1971, c. 246, s. 4; 1981, c. 783, s. 2; 1989, c. 109, s. 2; 1991 (Reg. Sess., 1992), c. 840, s. 2; 1993, c. 539, s. 603; 1994, Ex. Sess., c. 24, s. 14(c); 2011-376, s. 2.)