

## North Carolina Lien Agent System

### The Process



#### Owner Registration

The property owner is responsible for registering the construction project with LiensNC. This assigns a lien agent to their project, which is legally required. Owners incur a filing fee.



#### Lien Agent Confirmation

The lien agent is automatically notified when they are assigned. The owner must share their filing details with anyone they contract with. The lien agent details must be posted at the job site and given to the inspections department if applying for a building permit.



#### Lien Claimant Protection

If a contractor, sub-contractor, supplier, etc. becomes involved in the project, they should file a "Notice to Lien Agent" to notify the owner and lien agent. This step is necessary to protect their lien rights. There is no cost to file and Notices can be cancelled when no longer needed.

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### Why use a Lien Agent?

- ✓ It's the law
- ✓ Creates information transparency
- ✓ Prevents mechanic's liens
- ✓ Helps ensure everyone gets paid



#### Filing Fees

**\$30**

*1-2 family dwellings*

**\$58**

*All other properties*



#### Exemptions

- Total project costs less than \$40,000
- Owner's existing residence
- Public building project

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