

developing a feasibility study for determining whether a project to build a new facility was a financially viable concept and (b) Respondent provided strictly conceptual engineering services for and on behalf of IFE in Louisiana in connection with said project.

Additionally, the investigation disclosed that on or about January 24, 2024 Respondent signed and submitted to the Board on behalf of IFE an application for engineering firm licensure, confirming thereon that (a) IFE had never practiced or offered to practice engineering in Louisiana, (b) to the best of his knowledge, information and belief the statements and information in the application were true and correct in substance and effect and were made in good faith, (c) he had not omitted any information requested in the application and (d) an omission or untrue response in the application could constitute fraud, deceit, material misstatement, perjury or the giving of false or forged evidence under La. R.S. 37:698 and 37:700.

La. R.S. 37:681 and La. R.S. 37:700(A)(1), (7) and (9), *to wit* LAC Title 46:LXI§2301(B), prohibit the practicing and/or offering to practice engineering and the use of the words “engineer”, “engineering” or any modification or derivative thereof in a person’s name or form of business or activity without proper licensure. La. R.S. 37:698(A)(1) prohibits licensees from committing fraud, deceit, material misstatement or perjury, or the giving of any false or forged evidence, in applying for a license with the Board. La. R.S. 37:698(A)(12) prohibits licensees from aiding or assisting another person in violating the laws and/or rules of the Board. La. R.S. 37:700(A)(3) prohibits any fraud, deceit, material misstatement or perjury, or the giving of any false or forged evidence, in applying for a license with the Board. La. R.S. 37:698(H) permits the Board to take disciplinary action against persons who violate La. R.S. 37:698(A)(1) and La. R.S. 37:698(A)(12), upon a finding of guilt following the preferral of charges, notice and hearing and a majority vote of its entire membership authorized to participate in the proceeding. La. R.S. 37:700(H) permits the Board to take enforcement action against persons who violate La. R.S. 37:681 and La. R.S. 37:700(A)(1), upon a finding of guilt following the preferral of charges, notice and hearing and a majority vote of its entire membership authorized to participate in the proceeding. La. R.S. 37:681, La. R.S. 37:698(A)(1) and (12), La. R.S. 37:698(H), La. R.S. 37:700(A)(1), (3), (7) and (9), La. R.S. 37:700(H) and LAC Title 46:LXI§2301(B) were in effect at all times material hereto.

It is undisputed that **(a)** until January 17, 2024 Respondent was not licensed in Louisiana as a professional engineer and, therefore, was not authorized to practice and/or offer to practice engineering in Louisiana, **(b)** until January 26, 2024 IFE was not licensed in Louisiana as a professional engineering firm and, therefore, was not authorized to practice and/or offer to practice engineering in Louisiana, **(c)** at all times material hereto Respondent was an owner, officer, employee and representative of IFE, **(d)** Respondent has been the supervising professional of IFE since January 26, 2024, **(e)** between at least June 2023 and January 16, 2024 Respondent admittedly practiced strictly conceptual engineering and offered to practice conceptual engineering in Louisiana without proper licensure, **(f)** prior to January 24, 2024 IFE admittedly practiced strictly conceptual engineering and offered to practice conceptual engineering and used the words “engineer”, “engineering” or a modification or derivative thereof in connection with its name and business activities in Louisiana without proper licensure, **(g)** on or about January 24, 2024 Respondent signed and submitted to the Board on behalf of IFE an application for engineering firm licensure which mistakenly stated that IFE had never practiced or offered to practice engineering in Louisiana and **(h)** Respondent aided or assisted IFE in violating the laws and/or rules of the Board.

By letter dated June 27, 2024, the Board gave notice to Respondent that it was considering the preferral of charges against Respondent on the grounds that Respondent may have violated **(a)** La. R.S. 37:681 and La. R.S. 37:700(A)(1), relative to practicing and/or offering to practice engineering without proper licensure, **(b)** La. R.S. 37:698(A)(1), relative to fraud, deceit, material misstatement or perjury, or the giving of any false or forged evidence, in applying for a license with the Board, and **(c)** La. R.S. 37:698(A)(12), relative to aiding or assisting another person in violating the laws and/or rules of the Board.

Wishing to dispense with the need for further disciplinary and enforcement action and to conclude the instant proceeding without further delay and expense, for the purpose of this proceeding only, Respondent and the Board do hereby enter into this Consent Order, in which Respondent of his own free will consents to the issuance of a Consent Order by the Board, wherein Respondent agrees to **(a)** pay a fine of Three Thousand and No/100 (\$3,000.00) Dollars, **(b)** pay administrative costs of One Thousand Fourteen and 57/100 (\$1,014.57) Dollars, **(c)** successfully complete the Board’s online Louisiana Laws and Rules Quiz, **(d)** successfully

complete the Board's online Louisiana Professionalism and Ethics Quiz, (e) the immediate suspension of his Louisiana professional engineer license if he fails to comply with any portion of this Consent Order within the time periods set forth herein, with said suspension continuing until he so complies, and (f) the publication of this Consent Order on the Board's website and a summary of this matter in the Board's official journal, the *Louisiana Engineer and Surveyor Journal*, and the reporting of this matter to the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES), identifying Respondent by name.

Respondent acknowledges that his conduct as set forth above may constitute violations of the above referenced laws and/or rules as stated herein. Respondent acknowledges awareness of said laws and/or rules and states that he will comply with all applicable laws and rules henceforth.

Respondent has been advised of his right to an informal conference, to be represented by counsel before the Board and/or to appear at any hearing personally or by counsel and present witnesses and evidence in his own behalf, he hereby waives this right and his right to appeal, and he states affirmatively that he has been afforded all administrative remedies due him under the law.

Respondent further acknowledges awareness of the fact that the signed original of this Consent Order will remain in the custody of the Board as a public record and will be made available for public inspection and copying upon request.

Therefore, in consideration of the foregoing and by signing this Consent Order, Respondent does hereby waive his right to an informal conference, to a hearing before the Board, to the presenting of evidence and witnesses on his behalf, to Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law in this case, and to judicial review of this Consent Order.

Respondent hereby represents that (a) he fully understands the meaning and intent of this Consent Order, including but not limited to its final and binding effect, (b) he has voluntarily entered into this Consent Order and that no other promise or agreement of any kind has been made to or with him by any person whatsoever to cause the execution of this instrument and (c) the sanctions set forth in this Consent Order do not prevent the Board from taking further disciplinary or enforcement action against Respondent on matters not specifically addressed in this Consent Order.

WHEREFORE, the Louisiana Professional Engineering and Land Surveying Board and Respondent agree that:

1. Respondent shall pay a fine of Three Thousand and No/100 (\$3,000.00) Dollars, which shall be tendered to the Board by certified check payable to the Board, due upon the signing of this Consent Order; and
2. Respondent shall pay administrative costs of One Thousand Fourteen and 57/100 (\$1,014.57) Dollars, which shall be tendered to the Board by certified check payable to the Board, due upon the signing of this Consent Order; and
3. Respondent shall successfully complete the Board's online Louisiana Laws and Rules Quiz with a score of 90% or higher and return it to the Board within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this Consent Order; and
4. Respondent shall successfully complete the Board's online Louisiana Professionalism and Ethics Quiz with a score of 90% or higher and return it to the Board within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this Consent Order; and
5. Respondent's Louisiana professional engineer license, number PE-48576, shall be immediately suspended if he fails to comply with any portion of this Consent Order within the time periods set forth herein, with said suspension continuing until he so complies; and
6. This Consent Order shall be published on the Board's website and a summary of this matter shall be printed in the official journal of the Board, the *Louisiana Engineer and Surveyor Journal*, and reported to the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES), identifying Respondent by name; and
7. This Consent Order shall not become effective unless and until it is accepted and signed by and on behalf of the Board. Should the Board not accept and sign this Consent Order, it is agreed that presentation of this matter to the Board shall not prejudice the Board or any of its members, staff, attorneys or representatives from further participation, consideration, or resolution of any further proceedings herein.

LOUISIANA PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING
AND LAND SURVEYING BOARD

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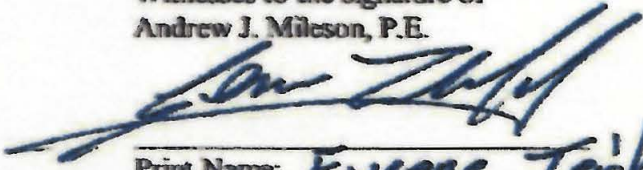
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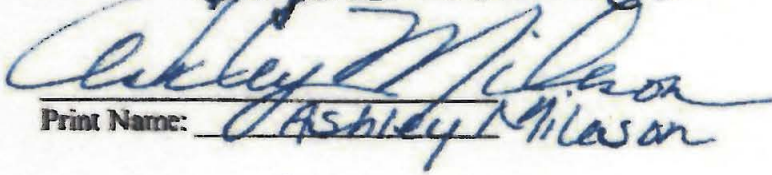
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ANDREW J. MILESON, P.E., Respondent

Witnesses to the signature of
Andrew J. Milson, P.E.

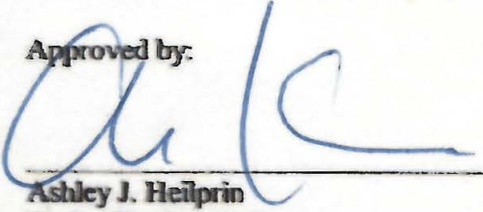


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