



# MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Kerry M. Hawkins, P.E.



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Chairman

Louisiana Professional Engineering  
and Land Surveying Board

In almost 100 years of operation the Board's function has not changed appreciably. LAPELS function is to protect the health, welfare, and safety of the people of Louisiana. However, the board and the board office have changed over the years to handle a greater number of applicants, registrants and duties that are needed to perform that function. To manage the many duties required in the modern age, the office staff gradually embraced the use of computers for keeping up with correspondence, license records, then renewals, and so forth. This effort includes processing new applicants, comity applicants from other jurisdictions, keeping addresses current, renewals, and enforcement actions. Unfortunately, the tools to handle various duties did not evolve together and the various computer tools did not communicate with each other very effectively since each tool was based on a different need.

Several years ago the LAPELS board embarked on an effort to evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of our operation. In one of the early efforts to harmonize the many duties of the office, Mr. Tony Huval evaluated various office information systems and eventually recommended that the board adopt a relational database system developed by CAVU Corporation. This system was developed for licensing boards with duties similar to LAPELS. Ms. Heidi Watts, Staff Assistant to the Executive Secretary has been the real champion of making CAVU work for us and being the lead trainer for applications. CAVU handles applications, registrant renewal information, enforcement activities, and also maintains records for fee payments. The CAVU system enabled all the office staff functions to have a common platform to handle our many needs.

Ms. Watts continues to develop our capabilities for CAVU and improving how we use CAVU.

The board appointed a Strategic Planning Committee and this committee concluded that along with the opportunities brought by CAVU, we needed to ensure that the board office maintained a "business mentality" going forward being effective and efficient in dealing with applicants, registrants and other stakeholders. Hiring Ms. Donna Sentell on Mr. Kent's retirement, the board clearly indicated we wanted to increase the focus on effective and efficient office operations. Our cost of doing business had grown and an uncertain future in the wake of the storms and a widely scattered registrant base was of concern. As our stakeholders must do, we need to have a very efficient operation if we are to succeed. The storms also focused our attention to the need to put together a disaster recovery plan to ensure that should a storm or fire destroy our office, we could become operational once again in short order.

Ms. Sentell concluded quickly that we not only needed secure information and means to physically restore our office, but also that we needed to implement a vigorous cross training plan for our office staff. This step, which is ongoing, provides that should one or more key staff members be somehow hindered in the event of a disaster, others could pick up the load and carry on.

Board member Mark Jusselin has chaired the Strategic Planning Committee that has quickly implemented a plan to address a number of concerns. First, we have many critical documents (applicant records, board meeting minutes, etc.) that are subject to loss, staff succession/training

needs to be addressed formally, define critical equipment needs, and establish technology upgrade plans.

We have "old paper" files from many years back that have information that would be irreplaceable should a disaster occur. Mr. Jusselin's committee and the staff are in the process of having all of our old files that are located at two different locations scanned onto CDs that we will store in a bank vault. As indicated earlier, we have instituted increased training and cross training plans and are in the process of developing an inventory of critical equipment that we need to maintain office operations and to bring the office back on line in short order to be ready if disaster strikes.

I believe that all these efforts will help LAPELS to continue to become a more effective board and that we will be ready if disaster strikes.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### LAPELS Board Meeting Dates

September 17 – 18, 2007

November 12 – 13, 2007



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# FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Donna D. Sentell, Executive Secretary

It is renewal time again. If your license expires on September 30, 2007 you should receive an invoice any day. If you do not receive one by the end of August, please contact our office.

Licenses of LAPELS are assigned to one of the four biennial renewal cycles. Licenses expire on March 31 or September 30 and are good for a two year period.

If you are unsure when your license will expire, you can check this information on our website, [www.lapels.com](http://www.lapels.com). Go to the link Roster of Individuals and Firms and enter your number in the appropriate field. You can view your license, which includes your address, license number, expiration date and discipline. You can print from this screen if you need to provide documentation concerning an active license. We no longer mail renewal cards to our licensees since you can verify your license on our website.

LAPELS has offered on line renewals for over two years and many of you have utilized this option. With each renewal cycle, we see an increase among our licensees who prefer this method of renewing their license. It is quick, easy and much more efficient than mailing a check. If you do choose to mail a check, make sure it is post marked by September 30, or it will be returned to you and late fees will apply.

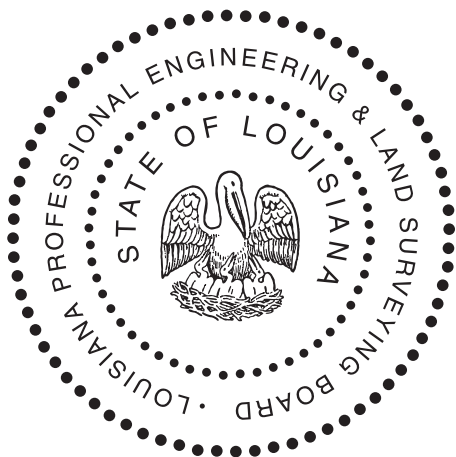
Our website database is there for your convenience as well as for

the public's use. All licensees should check the LAPELS website periodically to view their license and ensure the accuracy of the information we have on file. Please do so now. If you find inaccurate information, you can email your corrections to [info@lapels.com](mailto:info@lapels.com).

Many of our registrants were displaced after the hurricanes in 2005 and we are still struggling to find many of them. If registrants didn't contact our office with an address change, they are not receiving this publication or any renewal notices. If you know of licensees who have relocated within the past couple of years, you can help us by searching our database to check for their names. If you know their location, you could encourage them to get in touch with us to update their contact information. All of us here at LAPELS work very hard to be responsive to our licensees and our applicants. We need you to stay in touch with us and welcome your emails, phone calls or letters. We strive to maintain accurate records on all of you. But in the end, notifying us of address changes and renewing your license is still your responsibility.



Donna D. Sentell  
Executive Secretary



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Ali M. Mustapha, P.E.  
Richard L. Savoie, P.E.

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*Director of Enforcement*

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*Administrative Secretary/Editor*

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## EXAMINATION DATES

October 26 – 27, 2007

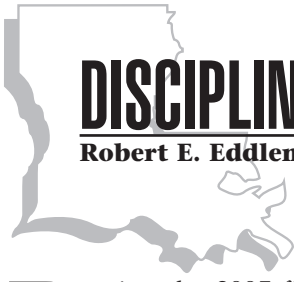
April 11 – 12, 2008

October 24 – 25, 2008

## APPLICATION DEADLINES

(for first time applicants)

June 1, 2007 for October 2007 exam  
December 1, 2007 for April 2008 exam  
June 1, 2008 for October 2008 exam



# DISCIPLINARY AND ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

Robert E. Eddleman, Deputy Executive Secretary/Director of Enforcement



Robert E. Eddleman

**D**uring the 2007 fiscal year (July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2007), the enforcement section opened 210 cases and closed 163 cases. During this same time period, the enforcement section also audited 290 licensees' for CPD compliance.

Below are summaries of actions taken by the Board on closed cases, which resulted in either formal or informal disciplinary/enforcement action.

## UNLICENSED OFFER AND/OR PRACTICE OF ENGINEERING AND/OR LAND SURVEYING

Structural Engineering Services, LLC, an unlicensed firm, was subject to enforcement action by the board for the unlicensed practice and/or offering of engineering services in Louisiana in violation of La. R.S. 37:681 and 37:700(A)(1), (7) and (9), to wit LAC Title 46:LXI.2301(B)(1). The firm's owner and employee (who is a Louisiana licensee) practiced and offered to practice engineering in Louisiana on behalf of and in the name of the firm, which included signing and sealing plans for single family residences in Louisiana. The firm also practiced and offered to practice engineering in Louisiana under the firm name, "Structural Engineering Services, LLC", prior to becoming licensed in Louisiana. The firm has entered into a Consent Order with the Board, wherein it admitted to violations of the above statutes and rules and agreed to pay a fine of \$500.00, to pay administrative costs of \$893.73, and to the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication.

Derland Dupree, an unlicensed individual, was subject to enforcement action by the board for the unlicensed practice and/or offering of engineering services in Louisiana in violation of La. R.S. 37:681 and 37:700(A)(1). Mr. Dupree prepared and submitted to clients in Louisiana detailed foundation plans for residences in Louisiana. Mr. Dupree has entered into a Consent Order with the Board, wherein he admitted to violations of the above statutes and agreed to pay a fine of \$500.00, to pay administrative costs of \$236.42, to immediately cease and desist the offer and/or practice of engineering in Louisiana until he is duly licensed by the Board, and to the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication.

Clyde Lambeth, Jr., an unlicensed individual, was subject to enforcement action by the board for the unlicensed practice and/or offering of land surveying services and the use of the word "surveying" in a person's name or form of business or activity in Louisiana without being licensed in Louisiana in violation of La. R.S. 37:681 and 37:700(A)(1), (7) and (9), to wit LAC Title 46:LXI.2301(B)(1). Mr. Lambeth issued business cards and written solicitations to persons in Louisiana soliciting land surveying services. These documents contained his business name ("Lightning Field Sur-

veying") and described his services as including "topographic", "data collect", "boundary", "cut out & mark", "lot staking", "for subdivisions" and "surveying field work". Mr. Lambeth has entered into a Consent Order with the Board, wherein he admitted to violations of the above statutes and rules and agreed to pay a fine of \$500.00, to pay administrative costs of \$658.05, to cease and desist the above conduct in Louisiana until he can fully comply with the Board's requirements for licensure, and to the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication.

## AIDING OR ASSISTING OF ANOTHER PERSON IN VIOLATING ANY PROVISION OF THE BOARD'S LICENSURE LAWS AND RULES

Dale A. Phillips, P.E., a Louisiana licensee, was disciplined by the board for aiding or assisting another person in violating the laws and rules of the Board in violation of La. R.S. 37:698(A)(12). Mr. Phillips aided or assisted his unlicensed firm in the practicing and offering of engineering services in Louisiana and in using the word "engineering" in its firm name in Louisiana prior to the firm becoming licensed in Louisiana. Mr. Phillips has entered into a Consent Order with the Board, wherein he admitted to violations of the above statute and agreed to pay a fine of \$500.00, to pay administrative costs of \$893.73, and to the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication.

## PRACTICE OF ENGINEERING AND/OR LAND SURVEYING ON AN EXPIRED LICENSE

N & A , Inc., a Louisiana licensed engineering and land surveying firm, was disciplined by the board for the offering and/or providing of engineering and land surveying services in Louisiana during the period that its firm engineering and land surveying licenses were in an expired status from April 1, 1995 until October 7, 2006 in violation of La. R.S. 37:698(A)(9) and (16). The firm's licenses have been renewed, and it has entered into a Consent Order with the Board, wherein it admitted to violation of the above statutes and agreed to pay a fine of \$5,000.00, to pay administrative costs of \$194.61, to pay all past renewal fees of \$750.00, to have its supervising professional successfully complete the Board's online laws and rules examination within sixty days, and to the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication.

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# MEET THE BOARD MEMBERS



## **NORMA JEAN MATTEI**

*Associate Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering  
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Dr. Mattei received her Bachelor of Science degree in CE, cum laude, from Tulane University in May of 1982 and her Ph.D., also from Tulane University, in August of 1994. She is a registered Professional Civil Engineer in the state of Louisiana. Prior to working on her Ph.D. and beginning a career in academia, she practiced as a consulting structural engineer for ten years in the New Orleans area. She worked as a project engineer in the metropolitan New Orleans area for such consulting firms as Modjeski & Masters, Guillot-Vogt Associates Inc., Linder & Associates, and Walk-Haydel & Associates. Projects included the structural design and geometric layout of long-span bridges, streets, highways and interchanges. She also designed offshore platforms, docks, and commercial buildings, including hospitals and a high security jail.

Her current research areas of interest include diversity issues in engineering and engineering education, engineering ethics, residual stress measurement using laser interferometer, mitigation of repetitively flooded structures in southeast Louisiana, experimental testing of intermediate and large sized parts in fatigue, buckling, and fracture, and recycling spent blast materials in hot mix asphalt in Louisiana. Future research will include research related to a precast roadway panel that can be leveled in place if its foundation soils have subsided and the testing for the effect on hot mix asphalt of long term submergence in salt water.

Dr. Mattei received the DSOC Distinguished Teaching Award in the academic years 95-96 and again in 00-01 and the Alpha Chi Epsilon - Assistant Professor of the Year Award in academic year 95-96. She is listed in Who's Who Among America's Teachers, nominated in 1998. She serves as the faculty advisor for SWE student section and for Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society (Epsilon Chapter) at the University of New Orleans. Her professional awards include the Louisiana Engineering Foundation - Professionalism Award, 2004, ASCE New Orleans Branch President's Award, 2004, ASCE New Orleans Branch Outreach Award, 2006,

## **RICHARD L. SAVOIE, JR.**

Richard L. Savoie, Jr. is a 1978 graduate of McNeese State University with a BS degree in Civil Engineering. After graduation Richard went to work for T.L. James Construction Co. as a construction foreman. After supervising a bridge and approach replacement project over the Sabine River, Richard decided to move to Baton Rouge, La. and began his career with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development in May 1980. The first 26 years were spent in the Head Quarter's Road Design Section where he advanced to Assistant Road Design Engineer and Value Engineering Director. His efforts with Value Engineering led LA DOTD to be recognized by the Federal Highway Administration as the best Value Engineering program in the country for 2005, with program size between \$100 and \$400 million. On February 20th, 2006, Richard was promoted to Deputy Chief Engineer for the Office of Engineering.

Richard has been active in the Louisiana Engineering Society (LES) since 1991, having served as the Baton Rouge Chapter President in 1996-1997 and as President of the Louisiana

and ASCE Louisiana Section Outreach Award, 2006. She received her most recent award, ASCE New Orleans Branch Outstanding Civil Engineer, in July of 2007.

Professional organizations in which Dr. Mattei is active include ASCE, ACI, SWE, SEM, and ASEE. Dr. Mattei has served in various leadership positions for the last 15 years. She is currently the Governor representing Louisiana on ASCE's Region 5 Board. She is a past president of ASCE Louisiana Section Board, 2005 and ASCE New Orleans Branch Board, 2000. She has been on the Executive Board of the ASCE/SEI N.O. Branch Structures Committee since 1995 and has served as that organization's chair in 1999. This committee gives monthly continuing education seminars to area engineers. She is also active on the Steering Committee of the yearly ASCE/ACI Louisiana Civil Engineering Conference and Show, having chaired that event in 2000. She is also active in the Society of Experimental Mechanics Residual Stress Technical Division, serving as vice-chair in 2006, and the American Concrete Institute's 2009 Fall Conference Planning Committee.

In 2003 and 2006, Mattei chaired the National Science Foundation in its workshop series on the advancement of technical and intellectual exchange among Ph.D.-level engineering professionals from underrepresented groups, including women. Norma Jean has also served as a primary resource to ASCE's Communications Department on a number of media relations activities including an interview with the National Public Radio on post-Hurricane Katrina conditions. This interview aired nationally on the Morning Edition.

She is a life-long resident of Metairie, LA, where she lives with her husband, Richard, and two daughters, Helen and Genevieve.



Society of Professional Engineers in Civil Service (LSPECS) in 1991. Richard was honored by the Baton Rouge Chapter of LES with the A.B. Patterson Medal for Engineering Management in 2007. He also serves both societies as their head jambalaya cook; cooking for the annual LES LSU/Southern University engineering student function each November and the cook for the annual LSPECS Headquarters gathering.

On April 1, 2007, Richard was appointed by Governor Kathleen Babineaux Blanco to serve a six year term on the Louisiana Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors Board. Richard is married to Karen C. Savoie and they have two boys, Andre' age 22, a future Construction Manager, and Erik age 17, a junior at Christian Life Academy.



# NEW REGISTRANTS

*New Registrants for the Period of April 16, 2007 - July 20, 2007*

Able, Jan Mark, PE  
 Ackley, Amon Daniel, PE  
 Albertson, Tyler J., PE  
 Alciatore, Jr. Henri A., PE  
 Al-Raoush, Riyadh I., PE  
 Anderson, Richard P., PE  
 Arino, Dwayne Rene, PE  
 Audi, Andre, PE  
 Babbitt, Felipe, PE  
 Ball, Darryl Gordon, PE  
 Barrett, Bart Byron, PE  
 Barry, James Michael, PE  
 Beard, Richard Allen, PE  
 Begin, Richard Donat, PE  
 Begley, James P., PE  
 Bice, Kent Michael, PE  
 Bills, Randall Edgar, PE  
 Bines, Rasaan Jameel, PE  
 Bird, Jon Ryan, PE  
 Birk, Lothar, PE  
 Bishop, Tony Harold, PE  
 Boehnen, Thomas R., PE  
 Bosch, Mandie Tabor, PE  
 Bradley, Bruce Aldrige, PE  
 Brown, Richard Diamond, PE  
 Burlison, Russell A., PE  
 Carder, Douglas Glenn, PE  
 Carmichael, Brian Anthony, PE  
 Chen, Jerry Ching Feng, PE  
 Chetrit, Guy, PE  
 Christopher, Warren John, PE  
 Cole, IV Samuel Dixon, PE  
 Collins, David Michael, PE  
 Collins, Kenneth Joseph, PE  
 Compton, Robert Burnette, PE  
 Cornett, James Christopher, PE  
 Cowen, Aaron Justin, PE  
 Coye, Fernando E., PE  
 Cromer, Michael Jackson, PE  
 Dabkowski, Adrian K., PE  
 Dallery, Robert L., PE  
 Dapp, Steven D., PE  
 Dawson, William Royal, PE  
 DeFazio, Robert, PE  
 DeLeon, Marco A., PE  
 Dixon, William James, PE  
 Dollerschell, Clayton J., PE  
 Donaldson, Richard Edward, PE  
 Dryden, Burton Edward, PE  
 Duffoo, Sara Josefina, PE  
 Dunker, Curt M., PE  
 Dziuba, Lindsey Liles, PE  
 Ebihara, Tatsuji, PE  
 Evans, Charles Earl, PE  
 Farlow, Thomas Wilson, PE  
 Fehl, Barry D., PE  
 Feng, Xuefei, PE  
 Fish, Richard Lee, PE  
 Fitch, Paul M., PE  
 Foreman, Scott Aaron, PE  
 Fox, Jonathan Nicolas, PE  
 Fruge, Nicholas P., PE  
 Fu, Haoqiang, PE  
 Garrett, Rex, PE  
 Gartner, Geoffrey Wayne, PE  
 Gauthier, Jeffery James, PE  
 Gillen, Dain Roland, PE  
 Glenn, III Donald W., PE  
 Goodrich, Warren Scott, PE  
 Greer, Brian Russell, PE  
 Griffin, Michael James, PE  
 Guilbeaux, James Bean, PE  
 Guillot, Ryan Jude, PE  
 Harrill, James Wesley, PE  
 Hayes, Robert Ryan, PE  
 Hays, Joshua David, PE  
 Hebert, Jr. Michael David, PE  
 Hebert, Ryan Patrick, PE  
 Hemeyer, Gary Lee, PE  
 Hietpas, Gerald J., PE  
 Hill, Keith Louis, PE  
 Hinshaw, Britt Thomas, PE  
 Hollon, Terri Jo, PE  
 Honeyford, Peter Michael, PE  
 Hovernale, John E., PE  
 Huyser, Douglas Wayne, PE  
 Jang, Ph.D. Ming-Jong, PE

Jinright, III Perry Clyde, PE  
 Joffrion, Brad Jude, PE  
 Jones, Warren Raymond, PE  
 Karins, David Geoffrey, PE  
 Kasarapu, Ananta Kumar, PE  
 Katam, Reuben Pradeep, PE  
 Keig, James Nelson, PE  
 Kennedy, Barry Jason, PE  
 Kerwin, Kevin Miles, PE  
 Khalilieh, Sam S., PE  
 Khurd, Nandan Murlidhar, PE  
 Kim, Do-Hwan, PE  
 Kimble, John Edward, PE  
 Koch, Nancy Lee, PE  
 Koutnik, Theresa Ellen, PE  
 Krause, William Douglas, PE  
 Krauth, Thomas M., PE  
 Lanning, Shane Russell, PE  
 Laughlin, Amanda Ames, PE  
 LeBlanc, Mark Abel, PE  
 LeBlanc, Renee Magnolia, PE  
 Ledet, III Cullen Joseph, PE  
 Lee, Pin-Shi Peter, PE  
 Lenker, William R., PE  
 L'estrang, Francis Joseph, PE  
 Li, Xiugang, PE  
 Liesch, David Carlton, PE  
 Ling, Michael Bryan, PE  
 Little, Christopher Alan, PE  
 Loeske, Jacob M., PE  
 Loomis, Joseph Edward, PE  
 Lopez, Jeff A., PE  
 Luebker, Raymond Herman, PE  
 Lumsden, Jr. George W., PE  
 Madorsky, Mark Howard, PE  
 Marbry, Clayton M., PE  
 Markham, John Robert, PE  
 Martin, August Wayne, PE  
 Mayeda, John Robert, PE  
 McCarty, James M., PE  
 McCumsey, Matthew Kenneth, PE  
 McKay, Shaun Eugene, PE  
 McMenis, James Robert, PE  
 McReynolds, James Bryan, PE  
 Meyerson, Richard M., PE  
 Mongitore, Donald A., PE  
 Montgomery, Jerald Christopher, PE  
 Moreland, Jeffrey Bernard, PE  
 Morris, Robert Nicholas, PE  
 Moskowitz, Michael, PE  
 Mostofa, Golan, PE  
 Murday, Ted Alan, PE  
 Murray, Patrick Edward, PE  
 Norfolk, Ian, PE  
 Normile, Thomas J., PE  
 O'Connor, Chistopher Shawn, PE  
 O'Neal, Chad Barrett, PE  
 Patchell, Edward Winslow, PE  
 Patterson, Jeffrey D., PE  
 Paz, Oly Diana, PE  
 Peacock, Bryan V., PE  
 Pecoraro, Jr. Angelo Joseph, PE  
 Pecoraro, Grant C., PE  
 Peel, Joe Wade, PE  
 Penoyer, Douglas Grant, PE  
 Portera, Joy Ferguson, PE  
 Presson, Earl Wayne, PE  
 Preusch, David P., PE  
 Ramaker, Terry J., PE  
 Razavian, Daryoush, PE  
 Razo, Andre Antonio Thomas, PE  
 Ribes, Richard Jason, PE  
 Rice, Roy E., PE  
 Richardson, James Lennox, PE  
 Rittenhouse, Thomas J., PE  
 Rodriguez, Lisa C., PE  
 Rosencutter, William C., PE  
 Roussel, Blake Severin, PE  
 Schapekahn, Jonathan Edward, PE  
 Schexnayder, Jr. Glenn Joseph, PE  
 Schexnayder, John Francis, PE  
 Schmitz, Timothy Lee, PE  
 Schuler, Brian M., PE  
 Schunk, Greg S., PE  
 Shakotko, Curtis Earl, PE  
 Sharma, Yogesh Chandra, PE  
 Sherren, Richard Stephen, PE

Sidlo, Michael, PE  
 Sloman, Jeffrey Lawrence, PE  
 Smith, Adam Martin, PE  
 Snowden, Kevin W., PE  
 Somers, Samuel Theodore, PE  
 Springer, James Edward, PE  
 St. Pierre, Travis John, PE  
 Stein, William C., PE  
 Stringer, Scott Steven, PE  
 Thomas, William David, PE  
 Tinder, Joseph B., PE  
 Torvik, Terrin B., PE  
 Trauner, Theodore Joseph, PE  
 Unsderfer, Brian Jeffrey, PE  
 Urgan, Aykut, PE  
 Vannoy, Donald Wayne, PE  
 Vespe, Rocco R., PE  
 Wei, Lei, PE  
 Weiland, Scott L., PE  
 White, Christopher Matthew, PE  
 Williams, Michael E., PE  
 Williams, Stafford Hoyt, PE  
 Wilson, Kevin Michael, PE  
 Wong, Daniel On-cheong, PE  
 Zhang, Yan, PE  
 Zupan, Joseph Allan, PE

Ngo, Tuan Anh, EI  
 Nugent, Rick Alton, EI  
 Obilo, Obinna O., EI  
 O'Meallie, Paul Patrick, EI  
 O'Rear, Christopher Michael, EI  
 Owens, Sarah Elizabeth, EI  
 Palmer, Jason Henry, EI  
 Patton, Heather Deare, EI  
 Patton, Micah Matthew, EI  
 Perry, Jonathan Kendall, EI  
 Peters, Ryan Ralph, EI  
 Petrus, Jane Ann, EI  
 Portillo, Rocky Lee, EI  
 Quinteros, Milton Ivan, EI  
 Raaz, Dean P., EI  
 Ray, Daniel Robert, EI  
 Reed, Stephen Michael, EI  
 Reichard, Brian James, EI  
 Reid, Aaron Brandon, EI  
 Rhodes, John Daniel, EI  
 Rister, Michael Carey, EI  
 Roberts, Kwami Kennatto, EI  
 Roberts, Paul Lewis, EI  
 Rodriguez, III Ronald Louis, EI  
 Rogers, Beaumon Jordon, EI  
 Roques, Ned J., EI  
 Rosche, Jr. John Larry, EI  
 Rourke, Michael Frank, EI  
 Saikia, Parashar, EI  
 Sammons, Gregory Scott, EI  
 Scairono, Anthony Joseph, EI  
 Schexnayder, Jacob Jude, EI  
 Schluender, Julie Marie, EI  
 Schorer, Alyssa E., EI  
 Schroth, Scott Michael, EI  
 Senkel, Jesse William, EI  
 Silvio, Keith Ryan, EI  
 Simmons, Stephanie Lauren, EI  
 Simpson, Jared Thomas, EI  
 Sledge, Corey Wilson, EI  
 Slovensky, Michael Brooke, EI  
 Smith, Erik Alan, EI  
 Smith, Jeffrey David, EI  
 Smith, Kevin Gerald, EI  
 Smith, Logan Essex, EI  
 Smith, Raymond Eugene, EI  
 Smith, William G., EI  
 Sonnier, Benjamin Paul, EI  
 Stein, Todd Michael, EI  
 Stevenson, Jessica C., EI  
 Taylor, David Matthew, EI  
 Teague, Tyler L., EI  
 Theriot, Brady Anthony, EI  
 Thompson, Andrew Svolos, EI  
 Thompson, Louis Warren, EI  
 Thompson, Nolan Edward, EI  
 Titus, Jillian Leigh, EI  
 Towe, Devin Patrick, EI  
 Tran, Tuan Anh, EI  
 Treadaway, Shawn Joseph, EI

Tuberville, Richard Alan, EI  
 Tyler, Charles Stuart, EI  
 Valenciano, Eric Michael, EI  
 Veazey, Jared Anthony, EI  
 Vides, Carlos Rene, EI  
 Vila, Curtis A., EI  
 Vo, Dang H., EI  
 Waguespack, Randy Paul, EI  
 Wallace, Randal Lee, EI  
 Watson, William David, EI  
 Wesson, Daniel Nicholas, EI  
 Wilkes, Matthew Paul, EI  
 Williamson, William Joseph, EI  
 Willis, Michael Dean, EI  
 Wissing, Michael Robert, EI  
 Wright, Matthew Thomas, EI  
 Zhang, Zhengzhong, EI

Alper Audi, Inc., EF  
 American Structurepoint, Inc., EF  
 BC Engineering, L.L.C., EF  
 Careba Mott MacDonald, L.L.C., EF  
 Coler & Colantonio, Inc., EF  
 Compliance Enviro Systems, L.L.C., EF  
 Crown Castle USA, Inc., EF  
 Crumb Engineering, L.L.C., EF  
 Deep Creek Engineering, L.L.C., EF  
 Dunaway Associates, L.P., EF  
 Ebmeier Engineering, L.L.C., EF  
 Engineering Elements, P.L.L.C., EF  
 Excell Communications, Inc., EF  
 Fagen Engineering, L.L.C., EF  
 GeoEngineers, Inc., EF  
 Hailey/Advent Industrial Services, L.L.C., EF  
 HDR Engineering, Inc. of the Carolinas, EF  
 Hostetler Johnston, L.L.C., EF  
 Infrasource Engineering Company, EF  
 Interlynx Group, L.L.C., EF  
 Interstates Engineering, Inc., EF  
 JADE Consulting, L.L.C., EF  
 Kleinfelder Central, Inc., EF  
 LFR, Inc., EF  
 Michael K. Swim Consulting Engineers, Inc., EF  
 Moore Engineering Enterprises, L.L.C., EF  
 MRP Engineering, L.L.C., EF  
 Mustang Tampa, Inc., EF  
 Nash Lipsey Burch, L.L.C., EF  
 Page McNaghten Associates, Inc., EF  
 Pearson Kent McKinley Raaf Engineers, L.L.C., EF  
 PEC Structural Engineering, Inc., EF  
 Planeng, Inc., EF  
 PPI Technology Services, L.P., EF  
 Precision Steel Detailing, Inc., EF  
 Rast Dallery Engineers, P.C., EF  
 Semaan Engineering Solutions, L.L.C., EF  
 Stokes & Spiehler USA, Inc., EF  
 Sun Engineering & Construction Management Corporation, EF  
 Teledyne Brown Engineering, Inc., EF  
 Ventech Engineers International Corporation, EF  
 Willett, Hofmann & Associates, Inc., EF  
 Zephyr Environmental Corporation, EF

Angelette, Neil Bradford, PLS  
 Buedel, Scott D, PLS  
 Gardner, Mike, PLS  
 Hill, Thomas Marshall, PLS  
 Howard, Derek Kyle, PLS  
 Legendre, Gerard Michael, PLS  
 Machen, Lasley Stuart, PLS  
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# REQUIEM FOR REASON

As the letter from Dr. Bruce eloquently conveys, something of great value was lost when the administration of Tulane University shut down its engineering programs in the Civil/Environmental, Mechanical, and Electrical/Computer Science disciplines. Engineers from these Tulane programs had played key roles in developing the infrastructure that helped drive the economy of Louisiana and the world. Their accomplishments took them to all corners of the earth and improved the lives of countless people. They used their analytical skills to solve the problems of the day, from the industrial economy of the early twentieth century through the information economy of the early twenty-first century. The economic value of what they designed is incalculable.

The justification given for the shut down of the programs was the financial strain caused by hurricane Katrina. The validity of that argument remains a matter of debate, but what is tragically clear is that the loss of the programs will hinder the economic growth of the state and the country. The need for engineers was increasing worldwide prior to the devastation of Katrina and Rita. After the storms, the repair efforts predictably caused a surge in local demand that has persisted to the present and appears likely to last several years into the future. If Tulane had their core engineering programs intact, their future graduates could have found immediate employment locally, nationally, or internationally.

Tulane's remaining engineering faculty is valiantly trying to keep some remnant of the school alive after the blow delivered by the administration, but the loss of even part of this resource represents a failure of reason, and the engineering community must be alert to prevent such occurrences in the future. Members of LES need to become active in making society at large aware of the vital role engineers perform in creating the infrastructure of the economy.

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