



MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

C.L. Jack Stelly, P.L.S.



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Chairman

Louisiana Professional Engineering
and Land Surveying Board

My thanks to the LAPELS board members for their trust in allowing me to serve as Chairman of the board; I pledge to the board that I will uphold my duties.

Serving on this board has been a great experience and an opportunity to work with a great group of professionals.

The terms of Mr. Kerry Hawkins (Past Chairman) and Mr. Joe Wink (Past Secretary) have expired. On behalf of this board and staff I want to thank both of our fellow professionals for their leadership and guidance for the past 6 years, thank you.

Governor Bobby Jindal has appointed the two new board members and on behalf of the board and the staff I want to welcome the two new board members replacing Mr. Kerry Hawkins representing Industry and Mr. Joe Wink representing Private Practice. The new board members are Miles B. Williams, P. E., representing Private Practice and James Bowie, Ph.D, P. E., representing Industry. Welcome aboard.

LAPELS board members will be attending the NCEES-Southern Zone Conference May 1st thru the 3rd. There are issues at this conference that are important to our professions, and the board will be listening very carefully.

The board has recently addressed three issues relating to the surveying profession: The Online Louisiana Minimum Standards Presentation and Examination has been revised and can be found at the lapels website; www.lapels.com Tim Allen and Scott Landry are to be commended for their hard work, effort and a superb job. We are also addressing a rules change request from LSPS concerning Chapter 27 (A) (4) (a) which

relates to the Use of Seals. The board has approved the request and is working on crafting language agreeable to both the LAPELS and LSPS boards. And finally, the Compendium of Louisiana and Federal Laws Relating to Land Surveying is being updated and will soon be posted on the LAPELS website.

Fellow Engineering and Surveying registrants this message is to inform you that this board has been created to fulfill the "LOUISIANA REVISED STATUTES TITLE 37, PROFESSIONALS AND OCCUPATIONS CHAPTER 8 PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING AND PROFESSIONAL SURVEYING" 37:381," which reads as follows:

In order to safeguard life, health, and property and to promote the public welfare, any individual in either public or private capacity, or foreign or domestic firm, practicing or offering to practice professional engineering or professional land surveying, shall be required to submit evidence that he is qualified to so practice and shall be licensed as hereinafter provided. It shall be unlawful for any person to practice or to offer to practice in this state engineering or land surveying, as defined in this Chapter, or to use in connection with his name or otherwise assume, use, or advertise any title or description tending to convey the impression that he is a professional engineer or a professional land surveyor, unless such person has been duly licensed under the provisions of this Chapter.

One of my goals as chairman is to keep you the registrants informed of the Laws & Rules of the board. As professionals it is our responsibility to keep abreast of the Laws & Rules of the board. Being familiar with Laws & Rules of the board will enable you the registrant to help ensure that you are in compliance and

have the knowledge to protect the public and your profession. Laws & Rules of the board may be found at <http://www.lapels.com/LawsRules.htm>.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

LAPELS Board Meeting Dates

- May 19 – 20, 2008
- July 21 – 22, 2008
- September 15 – 16, 2008
- November 17 – 18, 2008



EXAMINATION DATES

- October 24 – 25, 2008
- April 24 – 25, 2009

APPLICATION DEADLINES

(for first time applicants)

- June 1, 2008 for October 2008 exam
- July 25, 2008 reschedule deadline for October 2008 exam *

**Note – If your application is 3 years or older or if you have been unsuccessful in passing the exam 4 or more times, other requirements must be met.*

LAPELS LA PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING AND LAND SURVEYING BOARD

FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Donna D. Sentell, Executive Secretary



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The LAPELS board and staff have been busy processing applications for the April exam administration. There were more than 700 applicants taking various exams for licensure at any of the four sites in Louisiana and we expect to receive these scores around the first week of June. June 1 is also the deadline for the fall exams which will be administered on October 24 and 25, 2008.

Applicants will see some major changes when applying for the fall exams. Aside from new board rules and policies for applicants who have taken the exams multiple times or for those who have applications on file with our office which are older than three years old; we hope to open a new exam site at McNeese University in Lake Charles; and ELSEES (Engineering and Land Surveying Examination Services), the exam administration organization we contract with to administer the licensing exams, has announced fee increases.

The new fee schedule which includes exam administration and scoring will be:

- Principles and Practice of Engineering - \$255
- Principles and Practice of Land Surveying - \$255
- Principles and Practice of Land Surveying and Louisiana Laws of Land Surveying - \$255
- Fundamentals of Engineering - \$145
- Fundamentals of Land Surveying - \$190
- Principles and Practice of Engineering – Structural II - \$745

Other possible changes the board will monitor and discuss, include the implementation of additional educational hours in order to become licensed and possibly even making the licensure exams a computer based exam.

The national council continues to work with various groups across the country in an effort to strengthen the educational

requirements for engineers wishing to be licensed. In January of this year, Nebraska became the first state to introduce legislation which would require an additional 30 hours of coursework for engineers wishing to sit for the PE exam. Changes are in the making and state licensing boards are watchful as these changes will impact the licensure laws and the opportunity for those wishing to apply for comity licenses in states where the 30 plus hours are required.

Computer based testing is also a possibility for examining candidates for licensure. The nursing, architecture and accounting professions already administer licensing exams in this way. Whether engineering and surveying exams can be modified to a computer based exam remains to be seen, but with the ever changing technology altering the way in which we live, the council strives to stay abreast of ways to improve the method of testing and encouraging licensure for engineers and surveyors.

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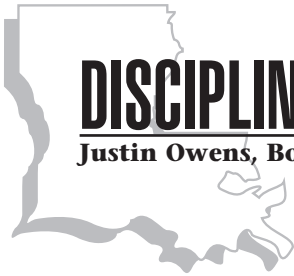
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DISCIPLINARY AND ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

Justin Owens, Board Investigator



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CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUDIT

For the renewal cycle of October 1, 2005 – September 30, 2007, the Enforcement Section audited 150 licensees for compliance with the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) requirements of the Board. Of those audited, 125 licensees responded. Letters were sent to the 25 licensees who did not respond. These licenses were given 120 days to submit to the Board proof of CPD compliance and pay an administrative fee of \$200.

Below are summaries of some of the disciplinary/enforcement actions taken by the Board since the previous issue of the Journal.

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

Precision Building Systems, Inc., an unlicensed firm, was subject to enforcement action by the Board for the unlicensed practice and/or offering to practice of engineering in Louisiana in violation of La. R.S. 37:681 and 37:700(A)(1). In 2006 the firm prepared and submitted to a client in Louisiana design plans for an airplane hangar in Louisiana. The firm has entered into a Consent Order with the Board, wherein it admitted that the Board could find that it committed unintentional violations of the above statutes and agreed to pay a fine of \$1,000, to pay administrative costs of \$2,135.36, to not offer and/or practice engineering in Louisiana until it is duly licensed by the Board, and to the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication.

ICM US ENG, L.L.C., an unlicensed firm, was subject to enforcement action by the Board for the unlicensed practice and/or offering to practice of engineering in Louisiana in violation of La. R.S. 37:681 and 37:700(A)(1). In 2007 the firm's employee (who was a licensee), on behalf of and in the name of the firm, twice submitted to Louisiana State Fire Marshal's Office engineering plans for a hotel in Louisiana. The firm subsequently became licensed in Louisiana effective December 3, 2007. The firm has entered into a Consent Order with the Board, wherein it admitted to unintentional violations of the above statutes and agreed to pay a fine of \$1,000, to pay administrative costs of \$689.67, and to the printing of a

summary of this matter by name in this publication.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS

Michael J. Williamson, P.E., a licensed engineer, was subject to disciplinary action by the Board for failing to comply with a continuing professional development (CPD) requirements of the Board in violation of La. R.S. 37:698(A)(6), to wit LAC Title 46:LXI§3117 and 3119. In 2007 Mr. Williamson failed to submit proof of CPD compliance in response to a Board audit and then failed to submit such proof within 120 days after notice of noncompliance from the Board. Mr. Williamson has entered into a Consent Order with the Board, wherein he admitted to violations of the above statute and rules and agreed to pay an administrative fee of \$200, to pay administrative costs of \$524.03, and to the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication.

DISCIPLINARY ACTION BY ANOTHER STATE

Robert Chevel, P.E., a licensed engineer who resides in Florida, was subject to disciplinary action by the Board for (a) having been disciplined by the licensing authority of another state for matters recognized as grounds for disciplinary action in Louisiana at the time the action was taken in violation of La. R.S. 37:698(A)(7) and (b) falsely stating on his Louisiana license renewal form that he had met the Board's continuing professional development (CPD) requirements in violation of La. R.S. 37:698(A)(1). In 2007 Mr. Chevel was disciplined by the West Virginia board for a discrepancy on his professional development reporting form relative to his mistakenly reporting hours for one course that had been completed prior to the appropriate reporting period. The West Virginia board ordered him to permanently surrender his West Virginia license and permanently prohibited him from ever applying for licensure as a professional engineer in West Virginia. Additionally, despite confirming on his 2006 Louisiana license renewal form that he had met the Louisiana Board's CPD requirements, Mr. Chevel did not accumulate the required number of CPD

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hours. Mr. Chevel 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 \$250, to pay administrative costs of \$250.93, to successfully complete the Board's online Louisiana Laws and Rules Examination, and to the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication

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

Ivan C. Mandich, P.E., a licensed engineer, was subject to disciplinary action by the Board for having unintentionally aided or assisted an unlicensed firm in practicing and/or offering to practice engineering in Louisiana without proper licensure in violation of La. R.S. 37:698(A)(12). In 2007 Mr. Mandich, on behalf of and in the name of the unlicensed firm, submitted to Louisiana State Fire Marshal's Office engineering plans for a hotel in Louisiana. Mr. Mandich subsequently caused the firm to become licensed in Louisiana effective December 3, 2007. Mr. Mandich has entered into a Consent Order with the Board, wherein he admitted to unintentional violations of the above statutes and agreed to pay a fine of \$1,000, to pay administrative costs of \$689.67, to successfully complete the Board's online Louisiana Laws and Rules Examination and Louisiana Professional Ethics Examination, to immediately cease and desist in aiding or assisting another person in violating the laws and/or rules of the Board, and to the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication.

William E. Foster, Jr., P.E., a licensed engineer, was subject to disciplinary action by the Board for having aided or assisted an unlicensed firm in practicing and/or offering to practice engineering and in using the word "engineer" in the description of the firm's business or activity in Louisiana without proper licensure in violation of La. R.S. 37:698(A)(12). In 2006 Mr. Foster, on behalf of and in the name of the unlicensed firm, prepared and submitted to a city permit office in Louisiana a sealed and signed piling plan for property located in Louisiana. The piling plan described the unlicensed firm as "engineers". Mr. Foster 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 \$1,500, to pay administrative costs of \$240.77, to successfully complete the Board's online Louisiana Laws and Rules Examination, to successfully complete the Texas Tech University Murdough Center for Engineering Professionalism's course entitled "Basic Studies in Engineering Ethics", to immediately cease and desist the aiding or assisting of the unlicensed firm and other persons in practicing and/or offering to practice engineering and in using the word "engineer" in the description of the firm's business or activity in the Louisiana without proper licensure, to the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication, and, if he fails to comply with any part of the Consent Order, to the automatic suspension of his license until such time as he is in full compliance with all parts of the Consent Order.



MEET THE BOARD STAFF

WILLIAM TRIPOLI

IT support is an important and integral part of the work we do here at LAPELS. Although all information from applications, renewals and enforcement is entered into our database; our office personnel cannot maintain these records without competent and qualified IT staffing.

We are fortunate to have William Tripoli as our IT employee and wanted to share with all of you that we not only benefit from his expertise, guidance and long hours he has provided here in the LAPELS office, but most recently his strength, courage and leadership for our country.

Bill has served 19 years with the Louisiana Army National

Guard, including two one-year deployments to Iraq from 2004-2006 as a Tactical Military Intelligence officer and has been awarded the Bronze Star. He holds the rank of Captain and is fluent in German, Russian, Kurdish and Arabic.

Captain William Tripoli was recently deployed for his third tour of duty in Iraq and will return to us next spring. In the meantime, we hold him and his family in our thoughts and prayers and await his safe return.





LAPELS HONORS



New licensees were presented with certificates and honored at a luncheon in Baton Rouge.



Licensure Lunch: Members of the LAPELS board, past and present, attended the award luncheon to honor the new licensees. (l-r) Joseph Wink, P.E., Kerry Hawkins, P.E., Vernon Meyer, P.E. and C. L. Jack Stelly, P.L.S.



Board Member Awards: At the March meeting, the LAPELS board and staff said farewell to two board members: Kerry M. Hawkins, P. E. and Joseph C. Wink, P.E. Both gentlemen were appointed by Governor Foster and completed their six year terms (2002-2008). During this past year, Mr. Hawkins served as Chairman of the Board and Mr. Wink served as Secretary of the Board.

NEW REGISTRANTS

Licensed/Certified for the Period of January 16, 2008 thru April 15, 2008

Engineering Firms

APA Fabrication, Inc.
Balance Consulting, Inc.
Bechtel Oil, Gas and Chemicals, Inc.
Brandt Engineering, Inc.
Bright, Troxclair & Associates, LLC
Carl Walker, Inc.
CLB Engineers, Incorporated
Cobb, Fendley & Associates, Inc.
DC Engineering, P.C.
DeForest Engineering Consultants, LLC
Design Engineering & Consulting, Inc.
EDA of Oklahoma
Emerald Ocean Engineering LLC
Excel Engineering, Inc. (Houston, Texas)
Fenstermaker Government Services, L.L.C.
Ground Floor Engineering, Incorporated
Hallmark Engineers, Inc.
Harley Ellis Devereaux Corporation
Hebert Engineering Consultants, L.L.C.
Henry C. Eyre Jr., P.E., Inc.
J.E.C. Engineering, L.L.C.
Kellogg Brown & Root Services, Inc.
Korda/Nemeth Engineering, Inc.
Lehmann Engineering, Inc.
LFC, Inc.
Louis Perry & Associates, Inc.
Lowe Engineers, L.L.C.
Maverick Engineering, Inc.
MCL Environmental Engineering Solutions, L.L.C.
North Star Engineering, Inc.
Olson Engineering, Inc. (Colorado)
Olsson Associates, Inc.
Orion Engineering, P.C. Inc.
Pinnacle Structures, Inc. of Arkansas
Port City Corporation
Power System Engineering, Inc.
Poyry (Appleton) LLC
Premier Environmental Services, Inc. of Georgia
Quintana Engineering, LLC
R & S Engineering and Consultants LLC
Reid Engineering Company, Inc.
Rone Engineering Services, Ltd.
Semmens Investigative Engineering I, L.L.C.
Sewell Engineering L.L.C.
St. Martin Brown-MEL, L.L.C.
Strand Systems Engineering, Inc.
The Engineering Studio, Inc.
The Johnson-McAdams Firm, P.A.
Wastewater Treatment of Louisiana, Inc.
Watley Engineering, L.L.C.
Wilson Engineering, L.L.C.

Engineer Interns

Aggarwal, Aditya Mohan
Arceneaux, Jr. Lee Patrick
Atoche, Jorge Carlos
Axsom, Daniel David
Barisich, George Christopher
Bartholomew, Chad James

Beaugh, Aaron Scott
Blanchard, Corey J.
Bozenovici, Cosmin
Braud, Bryan Michael
Broussard, Gabriel David
Broussard, Patrick Steven
Cain, Christopher Alan
DeJean, Brandon Scott
Duke, Aimee Michelle
Duncan, Jayne Marie
Eck, Jr. Michael Charles
Even, Mark Andrew
Fontenot, Jason Michael
Frilot, Andrew W.
Froeba, Brian Michael
Gaudry, Carl M.
Gisclair, Jacinta Maria
Granja, Enrique Alfredo
Haas, Kevin Lee
Ho, Su Thanh
Hollier, Tyler John
Hotard, Etienne Louis
Johnson, Russell Joseph
Katzenmeyer, William Mark
Kay, Jr. Timothy Luke
Lewis, Patrick Ayers
Mananayaka, Asanka Kavinda
Martinez, Robert Jorge
McKay, Jr. Charles Alan
Miceli, III Joshua Paul
Michael, Andrew Anthony
Miller, Josh Byron
Miller, Nicholas Karl
Morgan, Holly Sheree
Nugent, Brandon Wade
Page, Brandon Michael
Raef, Brian Robert
Redmann, Rachel Katherine
Rock, Courtney Rochelle
Roth, William Benjamin
Rumbaugh, Jacob Reid
Scheidt, Bridget N.
Schneider, David J.
Sehati, Atieh
Serra, Natalia
Shewalla, Mahendra
Smith, David Brian
Straume, Joshua Nelson
Stroder, Clay Louis
Tabor, Rebecca Lucille
Torrado, Lionel Sebastian
Townsend, Christopher M.
Tweedley, Scott Joseph
Vick, William Hunter
Waguespack, Scott James
Watson, III William Wilson
Weber, Matthew Garrett
Williamson, Edmund Christopher

Professional Engineers

Aillet, Joseph R.
Albanese, III Frank
Alberswerth, Michael L.
Allen, James Richard
Arafa, Abdelraouf Ahmed
Argent, Jr. Robert Lamar
Austin, Jr. George Willis
Beattie, Robert Michael
Beyke, Daniel E.
Boackle, David Anthony
Boyd, Robert Hunt
Bullock, Paul Joseph

Burgundy, Daniel Richard
Callicutt, III Edwin Warwick
Camejo, Pedro Jose
Chauhan, Akhilendra Singh
Clay, Stephen Lewis
Cleason, Steven George
Cochran, Jr. Donald Gene
Coe, Benjamin Franklin
Condrac, Jr. Robert Francis
Cronin, Derek P.
Dargavell, Blaine Edward
Datar, Sanjay Ravindra
DeBenedictis, Lance Joseph
Drake, Dain Richard
Dubnicka, Robert James
Eddins, Kim David
England, Lori Ann
Faircloth, Bret Xavier
Faircloth, Cristin M.
Fendley, William Francis
Ferguson, John Dale
Ferguson, Stanley Major
Fulk, Kenneth Marvin
Gaspard, Jr. Daniel Dale
Gates, John Aubrey
Gilbert, Jr. Thomas William
Goss, Matthew Thomas
Granberry, Matthew James
Gray, Mark A.
Griffin, Michael F.
Grigsby, Melanie Renee
Hanks, David Leroy
Harman, David Kirk
Harris, Tracy Kring
Haymond, John Patrick
Hays, Richard Kent
Hedgecock, Angela Dee
Hix, Bruce James
Hood, Jonathan David
Istre, Jason Louis
Johnson, Jr. James Willis
Jordan, Nathan Earl
Kapus, Timothy J.
Keene, Joseph F.
Kelso, Jerry J.
Kenyon, Dean S.
Kicklighter, III Thomas Frederick
Kimball, Jr. Donald E.
Korpiel, John Andrew
Lasseigne, Robie Joseph
Laurence, Jr. Ronald Bruce
Leard, David Robin
Lee, Jonghyub
Leppert, Kevin G.
Li, Guzhao
Lillard, Isabel
Lindsey, Jr. James Wyatt
Lund, John Simmons
Maletic, Daniel Joseph
Marifek, Craig Allen
Marsicek, Roger Michael
May, Walter Paul
McCullough, Jerry Don
McCutcheon, David F.
McKosky, Steven John
Michel, Travis Michael
Mikulencak, Duane Richard
Miller, Jerry Travis
Misenheimer, Brett Aaron
Monzingo, Darren Grant
Morin, Christopher David
Moss, Patrick Douglas

Munce, Charles William
Nelson, Mike Jay
Nicaud, Jennifer Ross
Nobles, Larry Robert
Nunes, Brian David
Olson, Eric Kent
Owen, John Hart
Pagan, Ronald C.
Paine, Elmer George
Pamperin, Matthew Scott
Parker, John Spencer
Parsons, Antony Cozart
Peacock, Theron M.
Pearce, Joseph Michael
Perniciaro, Jr. Michael John
Pittman, Adam Blake
Poulos, Nancy Osganian
Powell, Jr. Samuel Leonidas
Provance, James Shannon
Puccini, Giovanni
Racca, Byron Dale
Redford, Marcus Neil
Reep, Jeffrey Brian
Reins, Nina Janita
Riddle, II Jesse Douglas
Roman, Eugenia Kowalski
Rose, Albert Mark
Roskelley, Samuel Kevin
Rudolph, Alicia Hailey
Russell, James Birrell
Rylands, Brett C.
Salinas, Jr. Arnoldo
Savoie, John Charles
Schiroy, Jr. Craig Steven
Schulte, William Aloys
Seif, Franco A.
Shaaban, Khaled Salah
Shay, III George John
Shepherd, Patrick Joseph
Sheth, Mahendra H.
Sileno, Michael John
Simms, III Lloyd Maurice
Skeele, Steven Russell
Smith, Keith Edward
Sparkes, David Lee
Stickley, Judith Loraine
Stoup, G. Michael
Styskel, Edward Larsen
Swygert, Steven Derek
Triick, Ryan William
Tucker, Kelly Cook
Turner, Lucas Andrew
Wallace, Keith E.
Watson, Jr. Wilburn Reid
Wehby, John Christopher
Wescott, Christopher John
Won, Timothy Hak-Yon
Yendell, Craig E.
Young, Dishili Shawon
Zhou, Min

Land Surveying Firms

Brandon S. Breaux Engineering, L.L.C.
Fenstermaker Government Services, L.L.C.
Hathorn Surveying, L.L.C.
J. Bordelon and Associates, LLC
Maverick Engineering, Inc.