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Board's Bulletin The Licensees of the Oklahoma State Bo ineers and Land Surveyors

A Quarterly Publication for Licensees of the Oklahoma State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors

REFLECTIONS from the CHAIRMAN

My reappointment application was filed with the Governor's office and his action could come anytime Actually, I was told that it was one of the very first to be filed for reappointment in this cycle of appointments . . .

It has been a very interesting and busy six years. As I was thinking back over the last six years since becoming a member of the board, I could not help but think about all the fine young men and women who have become licensed as



Bill McVey, P.E. - Chairman

Engineer or Land Surveyor Interns and/or Professional Engineers or Land Surveyors. They number in the thousands. Presenting the new licensees their certificates at the Certificate Presentation Ceremonies was a true pleasure. A very special moment was when I presented the PE Certificate to the son of a fellow engineer who has been one of my peers for the last 35 years. Since becoming a Grandpa, I have become more and more aware of the "cycle of life" and this was a special moment.

Helping to develop exam questions for the October 2004, Electrical & Computer Engineering PE Exam with NCEES in Clemson, South Carolina was also a special experience. Although more of my efforts have been at the state level, doing presentations to senior engineering students on professional licensure and ethics, most of our Oklahoma Board Members are very involved at the national level with NCEES. Our Board Members have received many awards for leadership and service during the last six vears. Jon Nelson, PE, most recent Emeritus member is a recent Past-President of the NCEES. He was the second Board Member to serve as President of the NCEES from Oklahoma. The only other to serve as such was Charles Kimberling, PE, who still attends the NCEES annual and zone meetings. Board Members of many other state boards are not nearly as involved at the national level as your Oklahoma Board Members. You should be very proud of them, as they donate a tremendous amount of time, and most are still practicing professionals in their own firms.

At the Certificate Presentation Ceremony, most new licensees bring their "support group", those parents, grandparents, brothers, sisters, spouses, and even children that gave the licensee the valuable time needed

Reflections From the Chairman, (cont.)

to study and prepare for the exams. It is always refreshing to get to meet the new licensees and their families. The future of Professional Engineering and Land Surveying is in very good hands with these young people. While the accomplishment is individual and personal, the process is a team effort. Licensure separates and elevates the individual to a new level among his peers. It also provides a new level of mobility for the new PE.

The disciplinary proceedings are the distasteful part of the board members' duties, even though this work is so very necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Oklahoma. Unfortunately, our efforts in this area have grown by necessity. The enforcement activities usually occupy the entire first day of the two-day board meetings, which are held six times per year. The enforcement staff has expanded to meet the need. Offenders to our statutes and rules fall into three main categories: engineers or citizens who practice engineering with or without a license or CA, engineers coming into Oklahoma to do work without getting properly licensed or getting a CA, and engineers practicing outside of their areas of expertise – which is a violation of the rules of professional conduct. Of the three, the most egregious in my mind is the latter. Working around PE's who are licensed in other disciplines does NOT qualify one to practice in those areas. If we have experienced PE's in the community who feel they can practice in another area in which they do not have the three Es (education, examination, and experience), they may want to apply to take the related PE exam to become licensed in that area. The board does not currently have plans to pursue licensing by discipline, but the board staff gets frequent questions from local code authorities trying to determine if the plans they review are being prepared, signed and sealed by engineers who are licensed electrical engineers or some new mechanical engineer who feels, for a fee, he can sign/seal anything he pleases. This is just an example, but there are similar issues with civil/structural, civil/ mechanical, and mechanical/electrical.

We have tried to provide guidelines for proper signing/sealing of documents in our A/E Brochure. This original effort under the direction of Board Member Bob Zahl, PE, is being updated at present to reflect recent changes in architectural and engineering statutes and rules. We also have a new subcommittee working with a similar subcommittee of the Board of Architects to work toward resolution of areas where we have overlap in the laws regulating the two professions. Once we come to a resolution in the key areas, we intend to invite building code officials into the process to draft a new handbook for proper signing/sealing of engineering documents, which will assist the building code officials. This will allow the building code officials to be of more help in our common efforts to protect the interest of the public. Stay tuned for more to come with this effort.

... Well, the call just came from the Governor's office and my reappointment is official. Soon, I will be sworn in again and my term will continue contiguously from June 29, 2008 to June 28, 2014. The work at this board is addictive but it is a wonderful addiction to be able to help elevate our professions and help other board members and our outstanding board staff to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public. Let me offer a special Thank You to all of you out there who support the Board's efforts. I also want to say Thanks to my wife, Ann, and my three fantastic business partners at PSA Consulting Engineers: Jim Stewart, PE; Jeni Fair, PE; and Mike Fair, PE; all of whom have been so supportive of my efforts with Board activities.

Board Meeting Dates 2008

May 22-23 July 17-18 September 45 November 6-7

Exam Dates & Cut-off Dates for submitting applications

Application forms are on our website www.pels.state.ok.us

June 1, 2008 - cut-off date for accepting P.E. & L.S. applications for the October 24, 2008 exams AND the cut-off date for E.I. & L.S.I. applications for <u>non full-</u> <u>time students</u> for the October 25, 2008 exams.

Sept. 5, 2008 - cut-off date for accepting E.I. & L.S.I. applications for full-time students for the October 25, 2008 exams.

*See amended cut-off date for applications for Spring 2009 PE & LS Exams *Dec. 1, 2008 - cut-off date for accepting P.E. & L.S. applications for the April 24, 2009 exams. Jan. 3, 2009 cut-off date for December graduates.

January 3, 2009 the cut-off date for accepting E.I. & L.S.I. applications for <u>non full-time students</u> for the April 25, 2009 exams.

> February 5, 2009 - cut-off date for accepting E.I. & L.S.I. applications for fulltime students for the April 25, 2009 exams

John Kent Davis	PE 7632
Marshfield, MO	12/2007
Wesley D. Davis	PE 18212
Little Rock, AR	12/2007
Jerry N. Demos	PE 10846
Borger, TX	12/15/07
William Lee Earthma	an PE 4878
Charlotte, NC	9/14/06
Alvin P. Hanes	PE 7376
Waldorf, MD	2/2008
M. Leon Harris PE	4267/LS 38
Oklahoma City, OK	2/2008
Jerry Wayne Haynes	LS 422
Tahlequah, OK	3/13/08
Donald E. Toomey	PE 7080
Broken Arrow, OK	1/10/08
Wayne G. Guinn	LS 789
Ada, OK	12/10/06
R. S. Jones	PE 10227
Seminole, OK	2/25/07
Donald W. Jackson	PE 6234
Borger, TX	4/9/06
Edward Ioullian III	PF 3604

Edward Joullian, III PE 3604 Oklahoma City, OK 3/2008

A/E Exchange

From the Board of Governors of Architects, Landscape Architects, and Interior Designers:

The Board of Architects has formed a joint committee with the Engineering Board to take a closer look at areas of "cross-over" practice. These mutual areas of interest have forged a unique union that we are excited about, as dialogue continues to move forward. We will let you know in writing the final outcome of this committee. In the mean time, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at (405) 949-2383.

The Board of Architects & Ron Blank & Associates would like to extend an invitation to an upcoming continuing education (CE) event. The "OKLAHOMA CE ACADEMY" will be held Monday, April 21st, 8am to 5pm at the Metro Technology Centers Conference Auditorium. Sessions include: Specifying Windows, Powder Coating-A Green Alternative for Surfacing Finishing, Understanding Quartz Surfacing Materials, Polycarbonate is All Around You, EIFS-The Next Generation and Protection of Porous Building Materials. Six hours of CE credit will be given to all who attend. Registration is required by Friday, April 11th. Cost is \$40 (includes box lunch). Mail check, payable to Oklahoma Board of Architects, along with name, address and phone number to: PO Box 53430, Oklahoma City, OK 73152. Late registration (\$55) will be available at the door, if we are able to accommodate. Information about the program can also be found on the Board's website www/ok.gov/architects.

From the Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors:

This Board is also excited about working with the Joint Practice Committee of the 2 Boards to improve communication and look at some of the gray areas of practice. As a by-product of this committee, the A/E Brochure will be updated and redistributed and a Handbook is being drafted to aid Building Code Officials in the review of plans to facilitate our common goal of protecting the health, safety and welfare of the public. Oklahoma State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors

License Expirations October 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007

EXPIRATION/REVOCATION - Licenses may be revoked by the Board for non-payment of renewal fees. Licensees will be notified of revocation by certified mail. Typically this notification is mailed 10 days following expiration.

RENEWALS - Each license issued by the Board expires on the last day of the month in which renewal fees are due, and becomes invalid on that date unless paid. One notice of the renewal is sent by first class mail to the address of record in the board files. This in effect provides notice two months prior to revocation.

REINSTATEMENT - Former licensees whose certificates have expired and were revoked for failure to pay renewal fees and desire to reinstate shall make application for reinstatement within 180 days after expiration and pay the prescribed renewal fee and penalty. After 180 days, a new application will be required, which shall be considered specifically by the Board, both from the standpoint of competency and of character.

Professional Engineers:

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Cage, Brad W.	21746	Coltrane, Albert	18465
Cahill, Frank Elbert	11805	Condict, Dennis W.	16667
Camacho, Roger Anthony	15510	Conti, Salvatore V.	14273
Canahl, Frank D.	12035	Cook, J. D.	8511
Cane, Conrado Y.	21181	Copeman, Jack C. Jr.	6075
Cantwell, Kenneth R.	7574	Corbitt, Chris P.	21455
Carder, Wm. F.	8663	Cowan, Jack V.	7133
Carpenter, Michael D.	22623	Cowdrey, Rick A.	11992
Carr, William C.	10960	Cowgill, James E.	13569
Carriere, Jean R.	19698	Cowlishaw, Wayne A.	19696
Carroll, James C.	7938	Cox, James Kirk	16993
Casner, John Aaron	4133	Coxon, Kevin Charles	16242
Cassel, Kenneth J.	13843	Crandall, Max E.	8084
Castaneda, Duane E.	21943	Crews, Charles L.	14260
Cates, Brian L.	19013	Cronin, Michael J.	18843
Caudle, Richard L.	18709	Curl, Gary M.	20057
Chaffin, James E.	6443	Cutler, Joel M.	4921
Chaney, Jimmy W.	15735	Dalla Rosa, Marvin G.	20718
Chapla, Serena Lee	21324	Daniels, B. E.	6782
Chapman, Daniel J.	16627	Danley, Henry W.	5136
Chapman, John	22205	Darcey, Larry Glenn	20971
Charles, Robert C.	6479	Daudet, Larry Randall	18425
Cherry, Charles W.	9624	Davenport, Gene	12836
Cheyne, Wilroy G.	11729	Davidson, Cash E.	21044
Chisum, Dan	17925	Davie, Laurie Jean	20693
Christensen, Ron M.	22037	Davies, Gary R.	21859
Cincotta, Thomas A.	19444	Davis, Donald E.	9222
Clark, J. Allan	14736	Davis, Robert C.	12454
Clarke, Robert T. Jr.	14691	Davis, Thomas Michael	11614
Clausen, W. B.	11493	Davis, William H.	11762
Clement, Neal LeRoy	13792	Dayton, Douglas P.	19903
Clements, Rodger	19484	Deneen, William Glenn	20501
Cobb, Victor E.	13994	Desai, Jatin Ambalal	11813
Cochrane, Shawn Huckabay	16529	Desai, Prakash R.	20164
Cole, Clinton W.	8142	DeShazo, Harold G.	13326
Coleman, William O.	2216	Deshmukh, Prakash Y.	21962
Collins, Joseph P.	5964	DeVries, Richard A.	18726
Colson, Michael C.	20453	DeVries, Richard N.	8454

Dickman, Jason Daniel	20167
Dillard, Charles Wayne	18345
Dillon, Thomas M.	19543
Divine, Thomas M. III	21975
Dodds, Don El	5145
Doennecke, H. C.	2030
Doherty, Richard M.	20380
Dohmen, Martin Daniel	20873
Dolf, Timothy J.	13967
Doran, William G.	13075
Dorsett, Lindell Ray	10856
Doss, William Criss III	15079
Dowdy, Douglas B.	11433
Downing, Lowell L.	12009
Dowswell, Ronald Scott	19419
Drake, F. Richard	13096
Dreiling, Timothy James	17013
Drone, Donald W.	21043
Dryer, Daron	21017
Dudley, David	20926
Dugan, Timothy B.	22396
Dumont, Alan G.	14865
Duncan, Louis T.	15892
Dunn, C. Harlan	5421
Dunn, Wallace Edward	13053
DuPlessie, Beth M.	22184
Durbin, Gary J.	17774

Certificates of Authorization:

The Core Group 3484/(PE)



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CERTIFICATE PRESENTATION CEREMONY HELD FOR NEW LICENSEES

On January 26, 2008, the Board held ITS semi-annual Certificate Presentation Ceremony for new licensees. A record number of new licensees and guests attended this event. The Board congratulates the new licensees and wishes them a long and successful career!



Pictured from left to right: Alvin R. Penn, PE, PLS; Alan Penn, PLS; and Dustin Penn, PLS

Dustin Penn is the third generation of Professional Land Surveyors licensed in the state of Oklahoma. Dustin's grandfather, Alvin R. Penn, PE 5137 and PLS 344 was originally licensed as a land surveyor in Oklahoma on February 14, 1969 and Dustin's father, Alan Penn PLS 1086 was originally licensed as a land surveyor in Oklahoma on July 27, 1979. The Penn's have an engineering and surveying company located in Bristow, Oklahoma - PENNCO.

Congratulations Dustin and all the newly licensed PE's and PLS'. More pictures from the certificate ceremony are located on the frontpage of our website at www.pels.state.ok.us

ALONG THE PATH TO COMPLIANCE

MobilityKnow the Law Before You Travel

A number of years ago the National Council for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) introduced a Records Program that was intended to facilitate and expedite mobility. The program vastly speeds up the out-of-state licensing process. The Oklahoma Board has embraced this program and encourages our in-state licensees seeking projects in other states to take advantage of this time and resource saving program. (*For more information regarding the Records Program go to www.ncees.org/records/*)

However, with mobility comes the added responsibility of tracking your licenses, keeping them current in each state, and knowing and applying the rules and laws of the states where you are licensed. Differences in surveying practice from state to state require that land surveyors take and pass a state examination that includes state specific licensing laws and rules. Engineering mobility may



Bruce A. Pitts, PLS, Director of Enforcement

require state specific examinations and sometimes the licensing laws and rules are overlooked. Licensees are required to know the laws where they practice and you don't want to be disciplined because of ignorance of the law. Further, you would then be required to report this disciplinary action on every application and renewal you complete. So if you are in doubt – ASK! Call the appropriate licensing board and ask any questions you may have concerning their state laws and rules. (*For contact information of all licensing boards go to www.ncees.org/licensure/licensing_boards/*)

An example of an Oklahoma Rule that is frequently violated is our OAC 245:15-23 –1(a) that requires that "a person, firm or entity holding itself out as having the qualifications to, is able to or who does contract, offer or perform engineering or land surveying services in this state shall be licensed". That includes the individual licensee and the firm, if the licensee is not practicing as an individual. The Oklahoma Board regularly disciplines licensees for offering to practice and practicing prior to becoming licensed. Obtaining the license must happen before offering and practicing engineering and land surveying. [See exceptions to this rule OAC 245-15-23-1(a)(5)]

Another example of a law that our licensees must be familiar with is the definition of **"Direct Control and Personal Supervision"**. In Oklahoma, our strict definition includes **"active and personal management of the firm's personnel and practice including personal presence in the workplace to maintain charge of, and concurrent direction over engineering or land surveying decisions"**. There is no provision in our law to simply "review" the work of non-licensed individuals and there are no provisions for remote direct control and personal supervision. Out-sourcing engineering design work to foreign countries is not allowed because the licensed engineer cannot exercise direct control or personal supervision over the engineering work. Since Oklahoma requires firm authorization, a licensee must be prepared to demonstrate an employment relationship with the firm that is not a parttime or consulting relationship.

Knowledge of state laws and rules affecting engineering and surveying is important to your successful practice. So go ahead and get mobile, but slow down and take the time to get familiar with state specific requirements.

Disciplinary Activity of the Board

January 24-25, 2008

In the Matter of Donald Weaver; Case No. 2007-076; Through Consent: For offering and practicing engineering in the state of Oklahoma without a Certificate of Licensure or Temporary Permit to do so, Donald Weaver is found Guilty, assessed an administrative fine of \$500.00 and ordered to Cease and Desist from practicing and/or offering to practice engineering in the State of Oklahoma until such time as he has been authorized to do so.

In the Matter of Al McCreary & Associates, Inc. and Al McCreary; Case No. 2007-078; Through Consent: For offering and practicing engineering in the State of Oklahoma without a Certificate of Authorization to do so, Al McCreary & Associates, Inc. is found Guilty and assessed an administrative fine of \$2,500.00. For offering and practicing engineering in the State of Oklahoma without a Certificate of Licensure or Temporary Permit to do so, Al McCreary is found Guilty and assessed an administrative fine of \$2,500.00. Al McCreary & Associates, Inc. and Al McCreary are hereby ordered to Cease and Desist from practicing and/or offering to practice engineering in the State of Oklahoma until such time as they have been authorized to do so

In the Matter of Mechanical Concepts L.L.C. and Richard J. Bowman; Case No. 2007-082; Through Consent: For offering and practicing engineering in the State of Oklahoma without a Certificate of Authorization to do so, Mechanical Concepts L.L.C. is found Guilty and assessed an administrative fine of \$2,000.00. For offering and practicing engineering in the state of Oklahoma without a Certificate of Licensure or Temporary Permit to do so, Richard J. Bowman is found Guilty and assessed an administrative fine of \$2,000.00. Mechanical Concepts L.L.C. and Richard J. Bowman are hereby ordered to Cease and Desist from practicing and/or offering to practice engineering in the State of Oklahoma until such time as they have been authorized to do so.

In the Matter of Dennis Stanley Nelson, P.E. 20593; Case No. 2007-085; Through Consent: For violating laws or rules of another state (WV and WI) that are the same or substantially equivalent to violations of Oklahoma laws and rules, for certifying on the application for Renewal for Licensure as a Professional Engineer that he had not been disciplined by another state when in fact he had been, and for failure to provide, within 30 days, information requested by this Board, Dennis Stanley Nelson is found Guilty, assessed an administrative fine of \$1,500.00, Reprimanded, and Suspended until such time as he complies with all terms of the Final Orders issued by WV and WI and provides proof of such compliance and pays the assessed administrative fine.

In the Matter of Harold W. Conner, P.E. 11991; Case No. 2007-098; Through Agreement: Mr. Harold Conner voluntarily surrenders his Certificate of Licensure, P.E. 11991 to the Board in lieu of administrative action, and is permanently barred from re-issuance of licensure as a Professional Engineer in Oklahoma.

In the Matter of Bruce H. Bellen, P.E. 11505; Case No. 2007-100; Through Consent: For signing and sealing engineering plans not prepared under his direct control and personal supervision or his responsible charge and for failing to discharge his duties, obligations and responsibilities required as to the project which constitutes gross negligence, Bruce H. Bellen is found Guilty, assessed an administrative fine of \$4,000.00 and hereby Reprimanded.



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Disciplinary Activity of the Board (cont.)

March 6 – 7, 2008

In the Matter of M & M Lumber Company and Darryl Ogden; Case No. 2006-101; Upon Re-hearing, Summary of Findings of Fact and Order: For offering and practicing engineering in the State of Oklahoma without a Certificate of Authorization to do so, M & M Lumber Company is found Guilty, and assessed an administrative fine of \$9,000.00. For offering and practicing engineering in the State of Oklahoma without a Certificate of Licensure or Temporary Permit to do so, Darryl Ogden is found Guilty, and assessed an administrative fine of \$1,000. M & M Lumber Company and Darryl Ogden are hereby ordered to Cease and Desist from practicing and/or offering to practice engineering in the State of Oklahoma until such time as they have been authorized to do so.

In the Matter of Penn Environmental & Remediation, Inc., CA 5150 and Marcel David Tourdot; Case No. 2007-030; Through Consent: For offering and practicing engineering in the State of Oklahoma without a Certificate of Authorization to do so, Penn Environmental & Remediation, Inc. is found Guilty, assessed an administrative fine of \$1,000.00 and hereby Reprimanded. For offering and practicing engineering in the State of Oklahoma without a Certificate of Licensure or Temporary Permit to do so, Marcel David Tourdot is found Guilty, assessed an administrative fine of \$1,000.00 and hereby ordered to Cease and Desist from practicing and/or offering to practice engineering in the State of Oklahoma until such time as he has been authorized to do so.

In the Matter of Leo L. Roberts, P.E. 10469; Case No. 2007-043; Summary of Findings of Fact and Order: For signing and sealing engineering design drawings not prepared by him or under his direct control and personal supervision and for providing false information to the Board, Leo L. Roberts is found Guilty, Reprimanded and assessed an administrative fine of \$2,500.00. Further, his P.E. License No. 10469 is Suspended for 90 days, the suspension to be stayed based on completing the following: take and pass the Oklahoma Law and Engineering Exam within 90 days of the Final Order, describe to the Board's satisfaction in writing how the project, that is the subject of this action, should be done in order to comply with current statutes and rules. Upon compliance with the conditions of this Final Order, Leo Roberts may petition the Board for an Order lifting the suspension.

In the Matter of Vanguard Environmental, Inc., CA 5259; Case No. 2007-063; Through Consent: For offering and practicing engineering in the State of Oklahoma without a Certificate of Authorization to do so, Vanguard Environmental is found Guilty, ordered to pay an administrative fine of \$2,500.00 and hereby Reprimanded.

In the Matter of Perry Schauvliege & Associates, P.L.L.C. and Perry Schauvliege; Case No. 2007-083; Through Consent: For offering and practicing engineering in the State of Oklahoma without a Certificate of Authorization to do so, Perry Schauvliege & Associates, P.L.L.C. is found Guilty and assessed an administrative fine of \$1,500.00. For offering and practicing engineering in the State of Oklahoma without a Certificate of Licensure or Temporary Permit to do so, Perry Schauvliege is found Guilty. Perry Schauvliege & Associates, P.L.L.C. and Perry Schauvliege are hereby ordered to Cease and Desist from practicing and/or offering to practice engineering in the State of Oklahoma until such time as they have been authorized to do so.

In the Matter of HOH Engineers, Inc. and Fredric C. Owens; Case No. 2007-088; Through Consent: For offering to practice engineering in the State of Oklahoma without a Certificate of Authorization to do so, HOH Engineers, Inc. is found Guilty, and assessed an administrative fine of \$1,000.00. For offering to practice engineering in the State of Oklahoma without a Certificate of Licensure or Temporary Permit, Fredric C. Owens is found Guilty, and assessed an administrative fine

Disciplinary Activity of the Board (cont.)

of \$1,000.00. HOH Engineers, Inc. and Fredric C. Owens are hereby ordered to Cease and Desist from practicing and/or offering to practice engineering in the State of Oklahoma until such time as they have been authorized to do so.

In the Matter of Brendan Blansett, P.L.S. 1561; Case No. 2007-094; Through Consent: For failing to achieve minimum standards on a survey, violation of the Corner Perpetuation and Filing Act, gross negligence and misconduct, Brendan Blansett is found Guilty, assessed an administrative fine of \$3,250.00 and hereby Reprimanded.

In the Matter of Holland and Kurtz, Inc. and James Altenburg and Andrew J. Backes; Case No. 2007-107: For offering and practicing engineering in the State of Oklahoma without a Certificate of Authorization to do so, Holland and Kurtz, Inc. is found Guilty, and assessed an administrative fine of \$1,000.00. For offering and practicing engineering in the State of Oklahoma without a Certificate of Licensure or Temporary Permit, James Altenburg is found Guilty, and assessed an administrative fine of \$1,000.00. For offering and practicing engineering in the State of Oklahoma without a Certificate of Licensure or Temporary Permit, James Altenburg is found Guilty, and assessed an administrative fine of \$1,000.00. For offering and practicing engineering in the State of Oklahoma without a Certificate of Licensure or Temporary Permit, Andrew J. Backes is found Guilty, and assessed an administrative fine of \$1,000.00. Holland and Kurtz, Inc., James Altenburg and Andrew J. Backes are hereby ordered to Cease and Desist from practicing and/or offering to practice engineering in the State of Oklahoma until such time as they have been authorized to do so.



IMPORTANT REMINDER TO PROTECT YOUR PROFESSIONAL LICENSE!

Oklahoma law requires that all individuals holding a professional license must be in compliance with the Oklahoma Tax Commission prior to renewing their professional license. Therefore, no professional engineer or professional land surveyor's license will be renewed once this office receives notification from the Oklahoma Tax Commission that an individual is in non-compliance. At that point it becomes a matter between the Oklahoma Tax Commission and the licensee.

It has been our experience that it can be a timely process to be cleared by the Oklahoma Tax Commission once you have been listed as being in non-compliance, so please make sure that you give yourself ample opportunity to resolve any outstanding issues with the Oklahoma Tax Commission prior to your license renewal date. **Practicing with an expired license is a violation of Oklahoma statutes and will be prosecuted by this Board.**



Congratulations to October 2007 Successful Examinees!!

Fundamentals of Surveying

Beatty, Colin K. Harris Carrey E. Martin, Lee A. Robison, Tony Siemens, William Tripp, Christopher Weltzheimer, Ronald

Fundamentals of Engineering

Achu, Gordon C. Adair, Daric R. Adair, Michael E. Adkins, Brian A. Allison Justin A Alshankiti, Ibraheam Ang, Chia Chin Arriola, David Bai, Lu Bakare, Paul O. Barkley, Brady C. Barrows, Kieran E. Beard, Drew G Beem, Heather R. Bhatia Lokesh Birch, Brandon W. Bittle, Joshua A. Blanton, Sean F. Box, Erin H. Bright, Charles E. Brinkley, Jordan J. Brown, Colin W. Brown, David Scott Brown, Matthew A. Brunsteter, Webster Buhler, Russell L. Bui, Thoa H.D. Burch, Connie E. Butterfield, Jonathan Calavan, Jacob T. Carpenter, Zachary Carter, Jarad A. Castell, Daniel W. Chisholm, Steven E. Claravall. Mark Clay, Daniel N. Coberly, Jonathan R. Cochran, Jenny E. Collette, Joseph M. Collier, Andrew Paul Cornelsen, Trevor C. Curtis, Albert B. Daphalapurkar, Nitin Davis, Christopher A. DiGiulio, Christopher

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- Statute revisions have been proposed to the legislature. To review a copy please go to the Board's website at <u>www.pels.state.ok.us</u> and download them from the front page of the website. If you do not have internet access please contact us and we will be happy to mail you a copy.
- William A. McVey, Jr., P.E. was recently reappointed to the Board to serve a term expiring June 28, 2014. (See Bill's article on Page 1-2 of this newsletter) Congratulations Bill!



- Compliance Guidelines for Foundation Repair Companies were adopted by the Board but the Board continues to welcome comments and is requesting input concerning this document. It may be accessed from the 4th Quarter 2007 Board's Bulletin on the website or you may contact the office for a copy.
- All firms please be advised that you need to report all branch offices offering engineering and/or land surveying services in Oklahoma and all PE's and PLS's working in these branch offices to this office. You may go to the online database on the website and log in to update your information or e-mail <u>sharlette@pels.state.ok.us</u> for more information.
- Important Information For All PE's & PLS's Over the Age of 62

Please note that you may only claim exemption for continuing education if you have not offered or performed engineering services for the 2 years **prior** to your renewal. If you worked any part of the two years prior to your renewal you will not be allowed to claim exemption from continuing education. If you are listed on a Certificate of Authorization to perform engineering or land surveying services you also may not claim an exemption.

Also, if you are practicing or offering to practice engineering or surveying in the state of Oklahoma you must stay current with and follow all statutes and rules regarding your profession. The Board's Enforcement Division is seeing a disproportionate number of disciplinary actions for PE's and PLS's over the age of 70. Please stay current and do not risk your professional reputation and the possibility of disciplinary action by this Board by inadvertently violating the Board's rules and statutes. *The main violations seem to be regarding signing and sealing of documents which may not have been prepared under your direct control and personal supervision or outside of your area(s) of competence.* Also, if you are offering your services in any name other than your own name or employ other professionals you must obtain a Certificate of Authorization. (e.g. John Doe Engineering would require a certificate of authorization – John Doe, P.E. would not.)

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