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## Message From the Chairman

By Robert C. Zahl, P.E.

As my year as Chairman of the Oklahoma State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors comes to a close, I am thrilled to be at the starting point of another six-year term on the Board. The only difference this term will be that as of November 1, 2005, the Board will have a new name - the OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS. All of you who are currently "Registered Professional Engineers" are soon going to be "Licensed Professional Engineers" and the "Registered Land Surveyors" will be "Licensed Land Surveyors." "Registrants" will be known as "Licensees." With this change, all of the design professionals recognized by the state will now be "Licensed" individuals. This includes all Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, Architects, and Landscape Architects.

These changes are part of a modification to TITLE 59.O.S., SECTIONS 475.1-475.22a that just recently passed the House and the Senate and were signed by Governor Brad Henry. If you have any questions about the statute changes, do not hesitate to contact the Board office.

I have enjoyed representing the Board as its Chairman this past year, and I am looking forward to the next six years as its most recent, reappointed member. We have an excellent cross-section of disciplines of Engineers and Surveyors presently on the Board, as well as a highly-involved public member, so we are poised for yet another year of heavy involvement in disciplinary proceedings and other Board matters.



In addition, most of our Board members continue to volunteer to serve on various NCEES national committees, the most notable of which is Jon Nelson, who is just winding down his year-long term as the NCEES National President. **Congratulations, Jon, on a job well done. You made us proud!**

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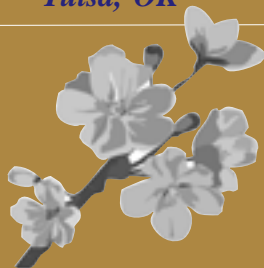
*In Celebration of the Lives  
& Contributions of the  
Following Professionals:*

<i>Jack Schrenkel Tulsa, OK</i>	<i>PE 5316 3/2005</i>
<i>Phillip D. Tracy The Villages, FL</i>	<i>PE 8380 12/28/03</i>
<i>Jerry O. Winter Houston, TX</i>	<i>PE 7442 1/6/05</i>
<i>John Bryan Walker Kingston, OK</i>	<i>PE 7382 3/1/05</i>
<i>Robert L. Wilson Tulsa, OK</i>	<i>PE 2984 1/27/05</i>
<i>John L. Wilson Houston, TX</i>	<i>PE 6997 9/10/03</i>
<i>Denzil E. Gates Midwest City, OK</i>	<i>PE 13172 3/7/05</i>
<i>Farriel Gene Thomas Sr. Norman, OK</i>	<i>PLS 491 4/2005</i>
<i>Louis L Lowrie Oklahoma City, OK</i>	<i>PE 5295/PLS 652 4/26/05</i>
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## **Zahl Reappointed to Board & Elected NCEES Southern Zone Assistant Vice-President**

**R**obert "Bob" C. Zahl, P.E. was recently reappointed to the Board to serve another 6 year term AND was elected NCEES Southern Zone Assistant Vice President at the May 5-7, 2005 NCEES Southern Zone Meeting hosted by the Oklahoma Board.

Bob was originally appointed by Governor Frank Keating to serve on the Oklahoma Board from 1999 until 2005, and was reappointed by Governor Brad Henry to a second, six year term, expiring in 2011. He currently holds the office of Board Chair, and recently assisted with the drafting of revisions to the Oklahoma Statutes and Rules and Regulations governing engineering and surveying. Bob has spoken at the University of Oklahoma on the topic of licensure promotion and the need for education of students on the purposes and duties of the Board. He has also participated at Oklahoma State University as a Guest Juror to Senior Capstone Design Classes in the School of Architecture.

After completing his Bachelor of Architecture Degree at Oklahoma State University in 1970, Bob began his career in the structural department of a large A/E firm. In 1978, Bob decided to start his own firm. He took on a partner in this firm in 1980 and has remained in private practice for the past 25 years. His experience is broad based in Structural Engineering, but much of Bob's focus over the last twenty years has been in the area of forensic structural engineering. He is currently an active Principal of Zahl-Ford, Inc. This firm has developed over the years into a highly regarded structural engineering, investigative, and design firm with 16-20 employees.

Bob is a founding member of the Oklahoma Structural Engineers Association and the Structural Engineering Council of Oklahoma, and he served as President of both of these organizations. He has also served as Secretary, Treasurer, President Elect, President, and Past President of ACEC Oklahoma, of which the firm is a member. He is currently serving on the Governmental Affairs Committee of the local AIA Chapter.

From the first meeting that Bob attended as a new member of the Oklahoma Board, Bob has been highly involved in NCEES Committees and council activities. He served two years on the Examinations Policies and Procedures Committee, two years on the Examinations for Professional Engineers Committee, as an emergency substitute member on the Examination Audit Committee one year, six years on the FE Exam Committee, and he participated in the cut score for the Structural I Exam.

Bob and his wife Donna have been married for 32 years, and they have three grown children.

# Public Hearing to be Held Further Defining Practice of Land Surveying

The Board will conduct a public hearing on July 22, 2005, at 9:00 a.m. at the Oklahoma Engineering Center to discuss whether or not the tasks of a Photogrammetrist, GIS Mapper, Construction Surveyor, etc. fall under the definition of the practice of land surveying.

The Board recently revised its definition of the practice of land surveying and questions surfaced during discussions at that time as to whether some of the tasks of these types of activities involved land surveying. The national trend seems to be moving towards regulating mappers and photogrammetrists, such as in Florida, and the Board would like input from the different professions and individual stakeholders prior to deciding whether any changes need to be made in Oklahoma.

If you plan to attend the public hearing, please e-mail [kathy@pels.state.ok.us](mailto:kathy@pels.state.ok.us) or call 405-521-2874 ext 24 to ensure that we have plenty of room for everyone.



Oklahoma City Mayor Mick Cornett (pictured left) and Oklahoma Board Chairman Robert C. Zahl, P.E., (pictured right) at the Opening Session of the NCEES Southern Zone Meeting Hosted by the Oklahoma Board in Oklahoma City, May 5-7, 2005

## Remaining Board Calendar 2005

May 26-27, 2005

July 21-22, 2005\*

September 8-9, 2005

November 17-18, 2005

(\*originally scheduled July 14-15)

## Exam Dates & Cut-off Dates for submitting applications:

application forms are on our  
website [www.pels.state.ok.us](http://www.pels.state.ok.us)

(please share these dates with  
others who may be interested in  
pursuing registration)

August 3, 2005 - cut-off date  
for accepting P.E. & L.S.  
applications for the  
October 28, 2005 exams.

Sept. 5, 2005 - cut-off date for  
accepting E.I. & L.S.I.  
applications for the  
October 29, 2005 exams.

January 3, 2006 - cut-off date  
for accepting P.E. and L.S.  
applications for the  
April 21, 2006 exams.

February 5, 2006 - cut-off  
date for accepting E.I. & L.S.I.  
applications for the  
April 22, 2006 exams

## License Expirations January 1, 2005 to March 31, 2005

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

**RENEWALS** - Each registration 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 registrants 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

Sabouri, Bob Houshang	10863	Schulze, Kris Reeve	15056	Silva, Daniel R.	12074	Smotherman, H. M.	3641
Safford, Thomas Frederick	17675	Schwerzel, George William	13822	Simmons, Roy P. Jr.	10451	Snelson, Sally Bierds	15925
Salat, Solomon J.	15474	Sciullo, Felix C. Jr.	14728	Simmons, Warren Van	10360	Snow, Robert H.	12164
Salazar, Ismael	18865	Scott, David R.	20084	Simons, Charles L.	4358	Snowden, James D.	19025
Salcedo, Louis M.	15959	Scott, Larry D.	9421	Simonson, Richard B.	18028	Snyder, Thomas A.	20347
Salley, James Ronald	17059	Scott, Owen Wein	8242	Sims, Dale E.	12707	Soderstrand, Michael A.	19055
Sanders, Wilfred H.	8902	Seaton, Carl Patrick	16319	Sinnett, Philip M.	16987	Soell, Thomas Steven	16919
Santoro, Angelo J.	13366	Seckinger, Peter Rabun	19374	Slominski, Mark V.	20628	Sofer, Samir Salim	11686
Santos, Marcos R.	17039	Seebeck, George F. Jr.	9581	Sluder, Jerald L.	6665	Sonne, Walter G.	17518
Sarthou, Jose Antonio	13104	Sellers, Stephen N.	10298	Smierciak, Eugene J. Jr.	18348	Sorelle, Roland R. Jr.	12249
Sarvasy, Harry	8660	Semmens, Robert Fellows	12690	Smith, Basil R.	4202	Sorem, James R. Jr.	15560
Satter, Abdus	7179	Sen, Ajit Kumar	12143	Smith, Bill A.	7416	Sousa, Edilberto F.	19815
Sauer, Maximilian J.	20630	Sessa, Vincent A.	13926	Smith, Cecil F. Jr.	7849	Sousa, Mark Hollister	15305
Saunders, Edward F.	2796	Settle, Joseph G.	15356	Smith, David Dean	12713	Southard, Laura Ellen	15607
Sauter, George John III	20087	Severin, Kermit M.	14585	Smith, Gerald Lynn	5232	Southworth, George L.	13930
Savanyu, Gary B.	19033	Shaffer, Ray W.	18376	Smith, Howard Brewster	14025	Southworth, Roger K.	20513
Sayers, Norman A.	11698	Shafto, Max D.	6999	Smith, J. Greg	13905	Sowers, Ray D.	10131
Scarduzio, Joseph F. Sr.	18355	Shanklin, Donnie W.	19658	Smith, James E.	11808	Spangler, Paul H.	12291
Schaefer, Mervin G.	15353	Sharaf-Eldeen, Yahya I.	15146	Smith, James Richard	15848	Sparks, Carl R.	11018
Schaefer, Roger Lawrence	16651	Sharp, Mark Edward	9971	Smith, Kenneth Michael	8968	Sparks, Richard T.	5648
Schaffer, Bernard	8769	Sharp, William C.	18830	Smith, Lee D.	6981	Sparks, Robert Keith	14805
Schaffer, Philip	19671	Sheddric, Kevin W.	20964	Smith, Lewis Emmitt	8706	Spears, W. E. Jr.	20077
Schepke, Thomas W.	15954	Sheets, David L.	19236	Smith, Marshall G.	12348	Spencer, Lon C.	11075
Schinzler, Lawrence E.	18586	Sheets, Tommy E.	7893	Smith, O. Lewis Jr.	3924	Spikes, Steven R.	16411
Schlatterbeck, William Louis	12114	Sheffield, Michael W.	20271	Smith, Philip B.	11449	Spillar, Robert Justyn	18588
Schlegel, Robert E.	14001	Shell, Lewis Regan	11241	Smith, Randall Troy	10137	Spinner, Erwin A. Jr.	17619
Schlehuber, Kelles F.	3016	Shepherd, Richard L.	7690	Smith, Richard H.	15298	Spires, George V.	20169
Schlittler, James E.	7265	Sherman, Warner D. II	21032	Smith, Robert C.	11306	Spradley, Prentice G.	10699
Schmidt, William H.	18932	Shick, Robert L. Jr.	10413	Smith, Rodney D.	8738	Spraggins, Don L.	19428
Schmitt, Norman R.	21451	Shirek, Leo F.	15131	Smith, Scott E.	20842	Sprenkle, Kevin Ray	15341
Schneider, Harold W. Jr.	10665	Shirley, Eugene B.	6890	Smith, Shofner	11727	Staab, Alan R.	14368
Schneider, Joseph	7289	Shirley, James Melvin	8664	Smith, Stanton Keith	15377	Stafford, Joseph D.	2544
Schoeppel, Roger J.	6405	Shoemaker, Johnny B.	10085	Smith, Wallace Cayford	19427	Stahl, Bernhard	9430
Schreppler, Susan Estes	18153	Sholomskas, Martin D.	19155	Smith, Wayne DeWitt	17079	Stallsmith, Stanley Thomas	15687
Schroeder, Ernest J.	16910	Shoolbred, Robert Adams	17664	Smither, Darrell	8308	Stanley, Keith Lane	12686
Schroeder, Melvin L.	12539	Short, Lesley V.	18772	Smits, Andrew	18815	Starr, John R.	14374
Schroeder, Robert A.	18507	Shunatona, Baptiste B. Jr.	6425	Smoak, Neil A.	13347	Steele, Carl E.	3278

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### Professional Engineers (cont.)

Steelman, David	18140	Symank, Curtis	20981	Thorsen, John William	21056	Uhr, Richard W.	14743
Stein, Dale E.	15973	Symons, Brian Daniel	16964	Tian, Peter	20615	Upson, Brian K.	19264
Stephens, Richard Scott	21234	Taggart, William Creswell	11153	Tidwell, Susan Marie	14886	Vallaster, William B.	12796
Sternitzke, Donald Alan	14823	Take, Rafael Coussirat	21412	Tieman, Robert E.	5507	van Dyk, John C. Jr.	9721
Steward, Rodney L.	16894	Talbot, John J.	16739	Tilden, Norman E.	11701	Van Stone, Jon W.	20978
Stewart, Michael Wayne	13734	Talbot, Joseph L. Jr.	10456	Timberlake, David Bryan	8584	Vance, Brian	21191
Stinchcomb, Sheri Ann	16325	Talbot, Michael G.	16717	Todd, Donald E.	5615	Vance, Michael M.	20428
Stinnett, Larry Wayne	9949	Talley, William Woodrow II	12201	Todd, Robert P.	8100	Vandevier, Joseph E.	11240
Stirling, John Andrew	16673	Tandy, Terry Francis	11211	Tomasko, Raymond R.	8040	VanMeter, D. Martin	17290
Stocke, Christopher E.	14268	Taube, James Edward	20405	Tomek, Robert L.	13839	VanMeter, Gary Van	12232
Stolt, Robert Alan	13785	Taylor, E. E.	4244	Tomlinson, Jim S.	7612	Varnadoe, Robert Leonard	11268
Stone, Dennis C.	9925	Taylor, John L.	7842	Tompkins, Mark W.	13993	Varner, Terry D.	17876
Stone, Gregory L.	15216	Taylor, Warren E.	8072	Towery, Clyde D.	8430	Vaughan, James R.	7193
Stone, Jack	6429	Teeter, David L.	20120	Townsend, Gary Wayne	11078	Verma, Vidya Bhushan	12406
Storm, Deanna Sue	15514	Tempest, Robert Earl	17261	Trahan, Glenn John	13706	Verneti, Jim S.	13159
Story, Chris	20836	Tennill, Dana Dean	12374	Travis, P. Kyle	14449	Vidal, Julio C.	21161
Strain, H. Milton	15404	Tennille, Richard	7160	Treece, John Roger	18204	Vilanova, Jorge Fageda	11787
Strain, Jeffrey Scott	13228	Terhune, Robert David	14313	Trevino, Mark Anthony	13985	Villalon, S. Leonard Jr.	7222
Strecker, A. M.	10283	Thebeau, Dennis J.	16200	Tribble, James A.	21456	Vinson, Michael D.	14935
Street, Ben D.	12990	Themig, Daniel J.	14024	Tripp, Gary W.	10671	Vogel, John Ludwig	9075
Stringer, Jody	16664	Theroux, Carl Joseph	11563	Trollope, Antony	19817	Volmer, Roger Phillip	12278
Stromberg, James L.	18903	Thomason, T. C.	17637	Truesdell, James Barry	18652	Voskuhl, Sharon Denise	14059
Stubbs, Robert G.	15169	Thompson, Buddy J.	9117	Tucker, Ronald M.	13922	Voytovich, Thomas E.	15176
Sturtz, Scott E.	19129	Thompson, Charles B.	8541	Tulk, Gary W.	19011	Vyhnal, Richard F.	11480
Sulcer, John C.	8702	Thompson, Gary L.	6594	Turknett, Roy L.	13135		
Sullaway, Bob	8699	Thompson, H. Wayne Jr.	20947	Turner, Ben Richard Jr.	16273		
Sunderland, Thomas J.	20544	Thompson, R. Mitch	20173	Turner, James F. II	19676		
Suwankosai, Wisit	16413	Thompson, Richard E.	8514	Turney, Frank Lee	16176	Speegle, A. J.	523
Swanberg-Mee, Ann	19505	Thompson, Robert W.	12021	Turriff, Dale M.	18541	Steele, Carl E.	547
Swanson, Edward W.	8590	Thompson, Ronald Lamar	13398	Tweet, M. James	15802	Sullivan, Warren G.	647
Swartz, William H.	15490	Thompson, Steven J.	19165	Tyhurst, John Roger	20724	Sutton, Darrel	1394
Sweda, John Stephen	19721	Thompson, William R.	12272	Tyler, Byron Drew	11846	Thomas, William M. III	1342
Swenson, David John	12075	Thornberry, Daniel Mark	11044	Tyler, John Louis	7232	Toler, Stephen James	1420
Swindell, Harold J.	13796	Thornburg, Sharon B.	20625	Uerling, Charles A.	8823	Twibell, Charles E.	1475
Swisher, Stan	10042	Thornton, W. A.	20111	Uerling, P. David	5771	Washington, David L.	1499
						Willingham, Billy Jack	754

### Land Surveyors

### Certificates of Authorization

Arambula Service Group Incorporated	4679	(PE)
ABB Lummus Global Inc.	328	(PE)
BEHRENT ENGINEERING COMPANY	1795	(PE)
G-T Engineering, Inc.	3808	(PE)
Herron Associates, LLC	4477	(PE)
L.E. Surveying	2262	(LS)
LAW ENGINEERING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES OF OKLAHOMA, INC.	3210	(PE)
Missouri Valley Engineering & Surveying, Inc.	3604	(PE/LS)
Plastic Engineering Co. of Tulsa, Inc.	101	(PE)
Stanley Engineering, Inc.	693	(PE)

## George T. Gibson, P.E. Honored By NCEES



**George T. Gibson, P.E. (left) receiving the NCEES Southern Zone Award from James T. McCarter, P.E., NCEES Southern Zone Vice President from South Carolina**

At the May 5-7, 2005, NCEES Southern Zone Meeting held in Oklahoma City, George Gibson was presented the NCEES Southern Zone Distinguished Service Award for his outstanding service to the NCEES, the NCEES Southern Zone, and the Oklahoma Board.

Mr. Gibson was originally appointed to the Oklahoma Board in 1998 by Governor Frank Keating and is currently serving in his second term as Board Member, after being re-appointed by Governor Brad Henry in 2004. He is very active nationally, as well as locally, serving as the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying's representative on the ABET/TAC Commission from 2002 to the present, where he served as chair or co-chair for 5 program visits for TAC and/or ABET. Mr. Gibson acted as a

Consultant for the NCEES Education Accreditation Task Force from 2003-2005 and was a Member of the Fundamentals of Engineering Examination Committee for the Industrial discipline from 1998-2004.

George has been the Chair for the Engineering Fair for the Oklahoma Engineering Foundation from 1999-2005 and has promoted licensure to students at several different universities during his tenure on the Board. He has been the Keynote Speaker for the biannual Certificate Presentation Ceremony for new professional engineers and land surveyors from 2002-2004.

George continues to work on committees for the Board, currently serving as the first Chair of the continuing education committee for professional engineers.

## PROPOSED REVISIONS TO TITLE 59 O.S. 475.1 et seq SIGNED INTO LAW

The proposed statute revisions presented to the legislature this session have passed the House, the Senate and were recently signed into law by Governor Brad Henry. The revised law will go into effect November 1, 2005.

*A summary of significant changes to the law are as follows:*

- ▶ “Register” to “License” – The new name of the Board will be “The Oklahoma State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors”. All engineers and surveyors will be “licensed” as opposed to “registered”. All current seals that use the word “registered” will be accepted.
- ▶ Added to the definition of the practice of engineering is the design, review, and integration of multidiscipline work. The additional language added to Section 475.2(4) reads as follows: “Design review and integration includes the design review and integration of those technical submissions prepared by others, including as appropriate and without limitation, engineers, architects, landscape architects, land surveyors, and other professionals working under the direction of the engineer. The definition of design review and integration by engineers does not restrict the services other licensed professional disciplines are authorized to offer or perform by statute or regulation.”
- ▶ The definition of the practice of land surveying was amended to be more readable and more up to date.
- ▶ Educations requirements for land surveyors:
  1. Section 475.12(B)(1)(b), was amended to state that after July 1, 2008 applicants qualifying under this section must be a graduate of a surveying program of two years or more accredited by an accrediting body approved by the Board.
  2. Section 475.12(B)(1)(c), regarding Alternative Graduation, Experience, and Examination, was amended to state that applicants would not be admitted to the FS examination after July 1, 2008, unless the applicant is a graduate of a surveying or related science program of four (4) years or more other than the programs approved by the Board.
  3. Section 475.12(B)(1)(d), regarding Long Established Practice and Education was amended to state that after July 1, 2014, Long Established Practice shall not be considered by the Board as minimum evidence that an applicant is qualified for licensure as a professional land surveyor.
  4. Section 475.12(B)(2)(a), regarding graduation and examination for land surveyor interns, was amended to state that after July 1, 2008 applicants applying to take the FS examination under this section must be a graduate of a surveying program of two years or more accredited by an accrediting body approved by the Board.
  5. Section 475.12(B)(2)(b), regarding alternative graduation, experience and examination for land surveyor interns, was amended to state that after July 1, 2008 applicants applying to take the FS examination under this section must be a graduate of a surveying or related science program of four (4) years or more other than the programs approved by the Board.

You will find the statute revisions in their entirety on our website at [www.pels.state.ok.us](http://www.pels.state.ok.us) on the front page flash – or – you may contact our office and we will mail you a copy.

## A/E "REQUIREMENTS" BROCHURE A SUCCESS

By Robert C. Zahl, P.E.

One of the best things that has happened in the architectural and engineering design community in Oklahoma is the recent publication of a brochure entitled "**Requirements**," which is a publication intended to aid building permit and code enforcement departments throughout the state in deciding what projects require the involvement of architects and engineers. This was published as a joint venture by the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, the Board of Governors of Licensed Architects and Landscape Architects of Oklahoma, and the Oklahoma State Fire Marshal's Office. The format of this publication was taken directly from a similar publication by North Carolina's Architecture and Engineering Boards, and we thank them for allowing us to copy their format.

The amount of positive feedback that the Engineering Board has received regarding this publication, mainly from various city and state code enforcement officials, has been outstanding, to say

the least. Some of the feedback has even provided the beginnings of additional information or clarifications that need to be incorporated into the next edition of the brochure. We are keeping a list of these changes and additions for this "living document," and we hope to be able to update the brochure within the next few months. I would like to personally thank all of the board members, board staff, other design professionals, and plan review officials that helped write, review, edit, and publish this document. It seems to have been a huge success!

To obtain copies of this publication, e-mail [teresa@pels.state.ok.us](mailto:teresa@pels.state.ok.us). There is no charge for this publication. It is also available on the Board's website at [www.pels.state.ok.us/regulations](http://www.pels.state.ok.us/regulations). If you have questions or comments concerning this brochure please contact the Board office, or you may contact me directly at the following:  
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Participating in the "Friendship Dance" performed by the Fancy Dancers during the NCEES Southern Zone Meeting at the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum are (pictured from left to right) Henry Lyles, P.E., North Carolina Board Member; Betsy Browne, Exec. Director NCEES, South Carolina; Hilda & Jose Rodriguez, P.E., Puerto Rico Board Member; Glenda & Jon Nelson, P.E., NCEES President & Oklahoma Board Member



## THANK YOU TO THE CONTRIBUTORS FOR THE NCEES SOUTHERN ZONE MEETING

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## DISCIPLINARY ACTIVITY

March 24-25, 2005

**In the Matter of Johnny Lau, PLS 1509; Case No. 04-65; Through Consent:** For Johnny Lau offering and practicing land surveying with an inactive license, the Board ordered that Mr. Lau’s PLS registration not be reinstated at this time and that in order to reapply Mr. Lau must submit a new application for re-registration no sooner than one year from the date of this consent order and show the Board proof that he has complied with the terms of probation in State v. Lau, CM-2004-348 of the District Court of Beckham, County, Oklahoma. *Mr. Lau is ordered to cease and desist from the practice of land surveying in the state of Oklahoma until such time as he has been issued a Certificate of Registration by the Board to practice land surveying.*

**In the Matter of John F. Sheridan, PLS 345 and Sheridan Engineering, Inc., CA 813; Case No. 04-119; Through Consent:** John F. Sheridan permanently surrendered his PLS 345 to the Board in lieu of an administrative penalty. Sheridan Engineering, Inc., by issuing plats containing mathematical errors, demonstrated a lack of concern, attention and involvement which brought jeopardy to the project, the public and client, is found **Guilty of gross negligence**. Sheridan Engineering, Inc., for failing to clearly and accurately develop plats and creating misunderstanding that jeopardized the public and failed to protect the client and the public, is found **Guilty of gross incompetence**. Sheridan Engineering, Inc. is assessed an administrative penalty of \$8000.00 and their certificate of authorization is amended to exclude land surveying services. *The company is ordered to cease and desist the practice of land surveying until such time as it authorized to do so.*

**In the Matter of U.P. Engineers and Architects, Inc., and Kenneth A. Dillinger; Case No. 04-135; Through Consent:** For U.P. Engineers and Architects, Inc. offering and practicing engineering in the state of Oklahoma without a certificate of authorization to do so, it is found **Guilty, assessed an administrative penalty of \$2000.00, and ordered to cease and desist from the offer or practice of engineering in the state of Oklahoma until they are authorized to do so.** For Kenneth A. Dillinger offering and practicing engineering in the state of Oklahoma without a certificate of registration to do so and for sealing plans with his Michigan PE seal, he is found **Guilty, assessed an administrative penalty of \$2000.00 and ordered to cease and desist from the offer or practice of engineering in the state of Oklahoma until he is duly registered to do so.**

**In the Matter of William Alan Brooks, PLS 1593; Case No. 04-146; Through Consent:** For William Alan Brooks failing to file 16 corners in a timely manner, he is found **Guilty** and assessed an administrative penalty of \$2000.00. *All corners were promptly filed by Mr. Brooks once he was contacted by a representative of the Board.*

**In the Matter of K L & A, Inc., CA 4698 and Eric S. Moe, PE 21762; Case No. 04-03; Through Consent:** For K L & A, Inc. offering and performing engineering services in the state of Oklahoma without a certificate of authorization to do so, it is found **Guilty and assessed an administrative penalty of \$1500.00.** For Eric S. Moe offering and providing engineering services in the state of Oklahoma without a certificate of authorization to do so and sealing the plans with his Colorado PE seal, he is found **Guilty and assessed an administrative penalty of \$1500.00.**

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## DISCIPLINARY ACTIVITY (cont.)

**In the Matter of Michael Semke, PLS 1172; Case No. 04-05; Through Consent:** For being disciplined by the state of Iowa for failing to comply with the minimum standards for land surveying when preparing plats of survey in Iowa, he is found **Guilty** and is hereby **Reprimanded** by the Board for his discipline by another state.

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**In the Matter of Marshall G. Maggard, PE, Case No. 2002-14, State of Oklahoma *ex rel.* Oklahoma State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors v. Marshall G. Maggard, P.E.**

After a hearing on March 14, 2003, the Board concluded that a question had arisen as to the competence of Marshall Maggard to practice in the field of electrical engineering as set forth in OAC § 245:15-9-4 (4) that could not be resolved to the Board's satisfaction. The Board ordered Mr. Maggard to sit for the NCEES, Principles and Practices of Engineering "PE" examination (electrical engineering) when the examination was offered in April 2003, and provided that if he didn't pass the examination that he cease and desist from the practice of electrical engineering.

That decision was stayed pending the appeal by Mr. Maggard to the District Court of Oklahoma County where the decision of the Board was reversed. That

decision was then appealed by the Board to the Court of Civil Appeals for the State of Oklahoma.

On December 6, 2004, the Court of Civil Appeals reversed the decision of the District Court and reinstated the order of the Board. A petition for certiorari or further review by the Oklahoma Supreme Court was filed on behalf of Mr. Maggard. **On March 11, 2005 the mandate was issued by the Supreme Court of the State of Oklahoma reinstating the order of the Board issued on March 14, 2003. *Because Mr. Maggard chose not to take the PE examination in the electrical discipline in April 2005, he is ordered to cease and desist from the practice of electrical engineering.***

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**Special Recognition and Thank You** - to Doug Klassen, P.E., of MKEC Engineering Consultants, Inc., for returning the money clip he found at a restaurant containing a significant amount of cash. The money clip happened to belong to my father, who was leaving on a vacation the next day with my mother. He asked that I publicly thank you for your honesty and acknowledge to your peers your act of unselfish kindness.

*Kathy Hart, Executive Director*

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