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Spotlight on the Executive Director

Lesley L. Rosier-Tabor, PE

In lieu of the regular column featuring the Executive Director's Message, the tables are turned and she is being placed in the spotlight!

Executive Director Rosier-Tabor recently received two of the highest honors that are given by the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) to those who are employed by a Member Board – the 2012 NCEES Northeast Zone Distinguished Service Award and the 2012 NCEES National Meritorious Service Award.

The first award, the 2012 NCEES Northeast Zone Distinguished Service Award, was given by the Northeast Zone of NCEES in May 2012 at their annual zone meeting held in Dover, DE. This award is affectionately dubbed the “Enny” for the “N” and “E” abbreviation of the Northeast Zone and also for its significance in the engineering licensure arena. The second award, the 2012 NCEES National Meritorious Service Award, was presented to Ms. Rosier-Tabor in August of 2012 during the NCEES Annual Meeting in St. Louis, MO. Each award is presented to an individual who has provided exemplary and faithful service to their State Board, the NE Zone and NCEES and has advanced the registration of professional engineers.

Since her appointment as the first Executive Director of the agency, Lesley has been committed to advancing the engineering profession. In addition to a number of outreach activities, she and her Board have worked diligently to increase the number of FE examinees by initiating a fee-waiver program for students who are first-time applicants. She led efforts to automate the state board's office, developed and maintains the board's website, and implemented new state-of-the-art technologies such as e-government processing and online renewals. Rosier-Tabor continuously promotes licensure, ethics and professionalism to the engineering profession through annual presentations made to the state engineering schools, governmental agencies, and professional societies. She also coordinates annual Board meetings at WV engineering colleges/universities, encouraging board members and faculty, students and administrators to meet and discuss important licensure issues.

Rosier-Tabor is actively involved with NCEES as well. She has served on at least one NCEES committee or task force for the last nine years. Her committee responsibilities have included consultant to the 2011-12 Committee on Examination Policy, member of the Computer-Based Testing Task Force (2007-2011), Continuing Professional Competency Task Force (2005-2006), Exam Administration Task Force (2003-2005), Credentials Evaluation Advisory Group (2011-2012), USCIEP Advisory Committee (2009), and NE Zone representative to the Member Board Administrators Networking Group (2004-2011). She was also instrumental in organizing and hosting the 2006 NCEES Northeast Zone interim meeting in Charleston, West Virginia in addition to serving as Chair of the NE Zone's Awards Committee for six of her 8 years of NE Zone committee service.

Outside of NCEES, Rosier-Tabor has also been an active member of the American Society of Civil Engineers for nearly 25 years and has served several terms on numerous state and national committees. She is a past president of the West Virginia section of ASCE, has served in all other elected leadership roles at the state level, and was also a long-time faculty advisor and practitioner advisor of the ASCE student chapter of the West Virginia University Institute of Technology. Recognized for her efforts, she has received several state and national ASCE awards including the WV Young Civil Engineer of the Year, the National Young Government Civil Engineer, as well as the 2010 WV Civil Engineer of the Year. She is also a member of the Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society, the Phi Kappa Phi Engineering Honor Society and Chi Epsilon Engineering Honor Society.

When asked about the recognition, Ms. Rosier-Tabor was quick to point out that it was so very gratifying to be recognized with not just one but two awards of this significance within a few short months of each other, but the real honor and privilege is working with our WV PE Board members and staff, all individuals who truly care about their work, love their jobs and work tirelessly each and every day for the betterment of the engineering profession. Noting that the NCEES work has been very rewarding in and of itself, Lesley pointed out during her acceptance speech that both awards came as complete surprises. So much so that during her first recognition in Delaware, she had to chuckle as she reported she had no family present in the audience to recognize or thank for their support over the years because she did not plan for their attendance. Instead, her husband and daughter ditched her for a weekend of camping at Lake Moomaw because the fish were biting and the water was finally calm and clear enough for some great canoeing!

When receiving her NCEES National Award at St. Louis in August, Lesley did have a little more advance notice and her husband was present to witness the presentation. However, during her acceptance speech, she noted that as much as you love your career, there are always tough decisions to make ... such as attending that night to receive this important award or missing their only daughter starting her first week of first grade and possibly missing out on her pulling her first tooth! It is unbelievably hard to juggle and balance between career and family, but we are happy to report they headed home quickly after the event came to a close and did not miss out on the tooth fairy!

Congratulations Lesley!



Board Updates

NCEES Committees Make Use of WV Talents

Once a year, the President-Elect of the National Council of Examiners for Engineers and Surveyors (NCEES) solicits help from individuals who are qualified and interested in serving on national committees and task forces. This request is one which needs to be carefully considered, knowing those selected assume a responsibility to attend one or more weekend meetings in the fall and winter months to enable committee work to be completed in early spring, share their findings at the Zone meetings and publish their final reports in the Council's Annual Meeting Report. Committee members also participate in e-mail correspondence and conference calls and assist with preparation of draft reports. Some committees, such as exam committees, are required to meet several times each year, which requires even greater amounts of dedicated time and effort.

West Virginia Board members and staff recognize the importance of staying involved at the local, state and national level with NCEES, as well as other engineering organizations, and regularly give their time, energy and knowledge in an effort to create and maintain a licensing system for engineers that has proven worthy of worldwide emulation. In the box above is a brief list of current assignments the WV Board and staff have been selected for, tackling some very important issues and providing significant contribution to the Council and the regulation of the profession.



- 1. William E. Pierson, PE**
 - Committee on Education
 - FE Exam Committee
 - NCEES Representative (Alternate) to ABET
- 2. Leonard J. Timms, Jr., PE**
 - Advisory Committee on Council Activities
- 3. Lesley L. Rosier-Tabor, PE**
 - Committee on Member Board Administrators
 - NCEES Representative for National Engineers Week in Washington DC
- 4. Don Johnson, PE**
 - Committee on Law Enforcement

The Youngest Addition to Our PE Board Family

Tiffany Davis and Michael Coleman are the extraordinarily proud parents of a sweet baby girl, Carley Elizabeth Coleman. Carley was welcomed into this world on August 10, 2012. She weighed in at 5 pounds and 8 ounces and was 21 inches in length.

You may recall that her proud mother, Tiffany Davis, is our newest staff member who was introduced to our professional engineering community in the 2011 edition of the *Interchange*. Tiffany served as a summer intern in both 2006 and 2007 and assisted with many extra duties during renewal season. After completing her college degree and working for a few years in the healthcare field, Tiffany then re-joined our staff in November of 2010 as a permanent employee and one of the two Administrative Assistants for our agency. Among her many responsibilities, she stays most busy handling all Certificate of Authorization (COA) issues for the office including new COA applications as well as renewals.

The photo shown here was taken at 2 months of age as Carley prepared to watch a Marshall University football game with her family. She dons her adorable "Big Green" hair bow as she cheers for the Thundering Herd, her mom's alma mater.



Congratulations Tiffany and Mike!

WV PE Board Member Appointment Updates



(LEFT TO RIGHT) Leonard Timms, Jr., Edward Robinson, Bhajan Saluja, Richard Plymale, Jr. and William Pierson

Under Governor Earl Ray Tomblin, and since the last newsletter publication, there have been no new appointments or reappointments to the WV State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers:

- **Mr. Leonard J. Timms, Jr.**
Term expires June 30, 2015
- **Mr. Edward Robinson**
Term expires June 30, 2014
- **Mr. William E. Pierson**
Term expires June 30, 2013
- **Mr. Richard E. Plymale, Jr.**
Term expires June 30, 2012*
- **Mr. Bhajan S. Saluja**
Term expires June 30, 2011*

* Continues service until successor has been appointed or reappointment is made per WV Code 30-13-4

2012-2013 Board Member Election Results

- **Mr. Edward Robinson,**
Board President
- **Mr. William E. Pierson,**
Board Vice-President
- **Mr. Bhajan S. Saluja,**
Board Secretary



From One Board to Another

Our Administrator's Perspective

Sue Rubenstein, Board Administrator

I am happy to report that I am very quickly approaching my sixth anniversary with the West Virginia State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers. I began my career in licensure in 1991 with the West Virginia Supreme Court when I was offered a position as Bar Admission Administrator for the Board of Law Examiners. I had no idea what I was getting myself into but I began to learn very quickly what the field of licensure is all about.

After moving to the Professional Engineers Board in June 2007 I found that, while all Boards have as their basic premise the protection of the public, not all Boards are created equal and not all operate the same. The seven members of the Board of Law Examiners are appointed by the Supreme Court and are a part of the judicial branch of government. According to statistics published by the American Bar Association there were 4,854 resident active attorneys in West Virginia at the end of 2012. Rules regarding admission to the practice of law are developed by the Supreme Court. The five members of the Board of Professional Engineers are appointed by the governor and are a part of the administrative branch of government. While the numbers change on a daily basis, as of January 25, 2013, there were 7,610 Professional Engineers actively registered in West Virginia. Laws regarding the practice of engineering are found in Chapter 30 of the West Virginia Code and more specific rules developed by the West Virginia State Legislature and approved by the Board of Professional Engineers.

The scope of responsibility for the two Boards for which I have worked are very different. The Board of Law Examiners is primarily responsible for processing applications for admission to practice law, administering the two-day Multistate Bar Exam and the Multistate Essay Exam, certifying applicants as eligible for admission to practice after meeting all of the requirements of the Supreme Court and organizing admission ceremonies held before the Justices. There is a separate agency, the West Virginia State Bar, that handles the

continuing education requirements (CLEs), payment of dues and renewal of licenses. There is yet a third agency, the Office of Lawyer Disciplinary Counsel, that handles complaints against attorneys and investigation of wrongdoing by an attorney.

The Board of Professional Engineers is a "one-stop-shop" with just four full-time and one part-time dedicated, hard working staff members, assisted by a Deputy Attorney General in legal matters, handling all aspects of the licensure process, including exam, comity and reinstatement application processing,

to be released. After passing this exam plus a nationally administered ethics test called the Multistate Professional Responsibility Exam (MPRE) and meeting the other educational and fitness requirements of the Supreme Court, a new professional is fully admitted to practice law after attending a mandatory admission ceremony before the Justices of the Supreme Court. There is no work experience requirement for a new admittee to practice law, and there is no follow up examination after they begin their practice.

Professional Engineer licensure begins with passing the one-day Fundamentals



Dr. Bob Rubenstein and Sue Rubenstein at the Officer Installation Ceremony at the 2012 NCEES Annual Meeting in St. Louis, MO.

coordinating the administration of the engineering exams, overseeing the annual reporting and audit of continuing education requirements (PDHs), annual renewal of licenses and payment of renewal fees, the investigation of complaints and disciplinary matters. The Office of the West Virginia State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers is an extremely professional and efficient operation and I have been very proud to say that I am a part of this office for the last five and a half years.

There is a major difference between the two Boards I have worked with in how the professional licensure exams are administered. The Board of Law Examiners administers their two-day paper and pencil exam in Charleston in February and in July using Board staff. Results typically take about six to eight weeks

of Engineering (FE) Exam, obtaining an Engineer-in-Training (EIT) certificate after meeting other educational and fitness requirements of the Board and, after attaining four years of work experience under a Professional Engineer, passing the one-day Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE) Exam. Both of these engineering exams have traditionally been administered by the National Council of Examiners in Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) in Charleston and Morgantown in April and in October. The Fundamentals of Engineering Exam is currently undergoing a major overhaul and in 2014 will become a six-hour computer-based test scheduled individually at a Pearson VUE testing center anywhere in the country with an opportunity for an individual to sit for the exam as many as three times a year. Results will typically be available within 48

hours. New registrants who apply to West Virginia for their EIT certificate after passing the FE exam and meeting other educational and fitness requirements will receive the certificate by mail. There is no mandatory ceremony attendance required. The Board of Professional Engineers and the West Virginia Society of Professional Engineers invite applicants who passed the FE and PE exam in West Virginia to attend a program held each year in March at EXPO at the Charleston Civic Center to recognize their accomplishment. While it is not a mandatory ceremony, all those who pass the exams are encouraged to attend to celebrate the occasion and to be recognized by their families, their peers and the members of the West Virginia State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers.

The biggest difference I've encountered between the two Boards — the reaction to failed exam results. It seemed like almost every applicant who failed a bar exam called or came to the office to talk about their failed exam and they were often upset or distraught. I've found the reaction from engineers to a failed exam to be very different and much quieter. Those few who call or come by the office after getting their results don't say much about their failed attempt but are looking toward their next attempt and already trying to figure out ways to improve their performance next time.

The hardest thing about the licensure process for both professions — working with those applicants who are not successful test takers. The process can be extremely frustrating and can be very discouraging when you have the education and the knowledge but have difficulty in getting over the testing hurdle. Persistence does pay off in most cases and I always encourage examinees to try again. The Professional Engineers Board developed a Plan of Study Agreement Form several years ago to help applicants who failed the exam multiple times to focus on and improve their preparation efforts. Board members and staff have also conducted face to face interviews with applicants after multiple attempts. In

several cases, the Plan of Study and the face to face interview to discuss study strategies have been successful.

The best thing about licensure work — getting to meet so many young professionals as they begin the path toward a great career. I like to think I have helped ease the transition from student

to professional for many of our examinees as well as having helped more experienced professionals as they transition from work in one state to another through the comity process. I've met a lot of great people during the twenty-one years I have worked in professional licensure in the State of West Virginia.

WV Association of Licensing Boards:

The West Virginia Association of Licensing Boards was established in 1981 and is comprised of over thirty licensing and regulatory boards from various disciplines across the state of West Virginia. The purposes of the organization as stated in the Articles of Incorporation include:

1. For the best interest and keeping the high standards and ideals of the licensing boards created by the Legislature through the laws of the State of West Virginia;
2. To help the various licensing boards continue the constant pattern of raising the standards and ethics of each licensing board for the protection of the citizens of the State of West Virginia;
3. To upgrade the standards of dealing with complaints concerning unethical and/or unlawful practice;
4. To work with the Legislature, its committees and/or joint committees, recommending laws for passage and advising and answering questions for the protection of the citizens of the State of West Virginia; and,
5. Most importantly, to promote the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the State of West Virginia by seeing that all who are licensed meet minimum competency standards.

Each of these Boards fall within Chapter 30 of the WV Code and are listed below.

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| ■ Accountancy | ■ Licensed Practical Nurses | ■ Professional Surveyors |
| ■ Acupuncture | ■ Massage Therapy | ■ Psychologists |
| ■ Architects | ■ Medical Imaging & Radiation Therapy | ■ Real Estate Appraisers |
| ■ Barbers & Cosmetologists | ■ Medicine | ■ Real Estate Commission |
| ■ Chiropractic | ■ Nursing Home Administrators | ■ Registered Professional Nurses |
| ■ Counseling | ■ Occupational Therapy | ■ Respiratory Care |
| ■ Dental Examiners | ■ Optometry | ■ Sanitarians |
| ■ Dietitians | ■ Osteopathy | ■ Social Work |
| ■ Foresters | ■ Pharmacy | ■ Speech Language Pathology & Audiology |
| ■ Funeral Services | ■ Physical Therapy | ■ Veterinary Medicine |
| ■ Hearing Aid Dealers & Fitters | ■ Professional Engineers | |
| ■ Landscape Architects | | |



Timms Receives Accolades as Outgoing NCEES Past-President

Leonard J. Timms, Jr., PE, and WV PE Board member, recently completed his 5-year term on the NCEES Board of Directors and was recognized by the incoming leaders of the Council at the NCEES Annual Meeting in late August 2012. Timms was the first West Virginian to serve as the national NCEES President and had the privilege of traveling across the United States, as well as around the world, to speak on a subject near and dear to his heart—the importance of Professional Engineering licensure and our duty to protect the health, safety and welfare of our people.

As outgoing past NCEES President, Mr. Timms remained on the NCEES Board of Directors through August 2012 as immediate past president and completed his half-decade of service, thus fulfilling his NCEES Board of Directors responsibilities. While receiving a standing ovation from those in attendance, incoming President Dale Jans, PE, of South Dakota recognized Mr. Timms and his wife, Annabell, for their dedication and contributions to the society and the profession.

(TOP) At the podium, Timms provides his final thoughts on his involvement with NCEES.

(RIGHT) Incoming President Dale Jans, PE, recognizes Timms for his Presidential service.



NCEES New Speakers Kit Available

NCEES has released a new Speakers Kit, with separate versions for engineers and surveyors, to help promote the benefits of becoming licensed. The Speakers Kit has played a central role in outreach activities of NCEES and PE Boards around the country since its introduction in 2003. Licensing board members, board administrators and other professional engineers and surveyors across the United States have used the multimedia presentation to explain the licensure process as well as the benefits and responsibilities of licensure to engineering and surveying students and young professionals.

The new Speakers Kit for Engineers addresses key concerns of today's students: how to find a competitive edge in today's job market and how licensure can prepare them for the unknown. In addition to explaining the licensure system and the steps to becoming a professional engineer, the presentation focuses on personal benefits:

- A PE is a member of a profession.
- A PE license opens career doors.
- A PE license commands a higher salary on average.

This message is also important for the other key audience of the Speakers Kit: working, unlicensed engineers. “For those engineering disciplines that have a lower percentage of PEs, we want to show how, even though they may not be required to hold a license, there are very real benefits to doing so,” McDowell explained. NCEES designed the new Speakers Kit with greater flexibility in mind. Speakers can add or remove content more easily. Slides can be customized for specific groups, such as chemical or mechanical engineering students, or for a state's specific licensure requirements.

As part of its outreach efforts, NCEES also organizes Speakers Link, a network of licensed engineers and surveyors who are available to talk to students and young professionals about the licensure process—and how licensure has benefited their careers. When NCEES receives a request for a speaker, it looks for a local Speakers Link volunteer who can give the presentation.

To download the NCEES Speakers Kit, request a speaker, or volunteer to be a part of Speakers Link, go online to the Licensure section of ncees.org and click on Outreach.

“The best way to learn about licensure and its importance is from someone who knows firsthand,” said Davy McDowell, P.E., NCEES associate executive director. “The Speakers Kit is designed to make it easy for professional engineers and surveyors to speak—and to get them in front of students to tell their stories.”

Board Disciplinary Actions

In meeting its mission of safeguarding life, health and property, and to promote the public welfare, the WV Board actively enforces the statutes and rules that fall within its jurisdiction. Below is a summary of formal complaints that resulted in disciplinary action since the 2012 newsletter. Numerous other investigations were conducted, some resulting in formal complaints which are still pending; some dismissed because the charges were unsubstantiated or considered trivial; and some closed after acceptable corrective action or warning.

The actions below were either a result of a formal hearing resulting in a Board Order or an informal settlement resulting in a Consent Order. These orders are public records. If you are interested in knowing more about the nature of the complaint, you may request a copy pursuant to the State's Freedom of Information Act. All Final Orders are posted on the Board website.

All civil penalties are made payable to the State of West Virginia and are deposited in the state's general fund. Administrative costs are made payable to the WV PE Board and are retained by the Board to offset costs incurred in the investigation and complaint resolution efforts. Administrative costs may be waived if the complaint is resolved with a minimum of expense, including staff time.

DISCLAIMER: Every effort has been made to ensure that the enforcement information is correct; however this information should not be relied upon without verification from the Board office or website. It should be noted that the names of companies and individuals listed may be similar to the names of parties who have not had enforcement actions taken against them. Should you have any specific questions regarding the disciplinary actions noted above, please contact the Board office.

<p>CASE NUMBER: C2010-16 P. Michael Green/Green Engineering, Inc. Philippi, WV</p> <p>VIOLATION: Negligent or committed an act of misconduct in the practice of engineering. [§30-13-21(a)(2)]</p> <p>RESOLUTION: Consent Order signed. Reprimand issued. Case closed 6/26/12.</p>	<p>CASE NUMBER: C2012-08 BIS TEPSCO Grand Prairie, TX</p> <p>VIOLATION: Practicing engineering in West Virginia without a Certificate of Authorization. [§30-13-17(a)]</p> <p>RESOLUTION: Consent Order signed. Civil penalty of \$250 paid. Case closed 5/24/12.</p>
<p>Case Number: C2012-01 Robert S. Krabill Morgantown, WV</p> <p>VIOLATION: Two counts misuse of seal and violations of the Rules of Professional Responsibility relating to sealing a document that did not conform to accepted engineering standards and undertaking an assignment outside of his areas of education, experience and/or competence. [§30-13-21(a)(4) & (10), W. Va. R. 7-1-12.2(b), 7-1-12.3(b) and 7-1-12.4(a) & (b)]</p> <p>RESOLUTION: Consent Order signed. Civil penalties of \$2000 paid. Case closed 8/6/2012.</p>	<p>CASE NUMBER: C2012-09 William L. Toney Lewisburg, WV</p> <p>VIOLATION: Failure to conform to accepted engineering standards and failure to include all relevant and pertinent information in a report. [§30-13-21(a)(2) & (4)] W.Va. R. 7-1-12.3(b) & (d)]</p> <p>RESOLUTION: Consent Order signed. Administrative costs of \$5400 assessed. Practice restricted pending written Board approval.</p>
<p>CASE NUMBER: C2012-04 Jeffrey L. Arnold/J. L. Arnold Engineering, Inc. St. Petersburg, FL</p> <p>VIOLATION: Practicing engineering in West Virginia without an engineering license and Certificate of Authorization. [§30-13-2 and §30-13-17(a)]</p> <p>RESOLUTION: Consent Order signed. Civil penalties of \$1000 and administrative costs of \$500 assessed. Civil action filed to enforce settlement.</p>	<p>CASE NUMBER: C2012-11 Robert J. Race/Race Engineering & Associates Eagan, MN</p> <p>VIOLATION: Practicing engineering in West Virginia without an engineering license and Certificate of Authorization. [§30-13-2 and §30-13-17(a)]</p> <p>RESOLUTION: Consent Order signed. Civil penalties of \$500 paid. Complaint closed 6/18/12.</p>
<p>Case Number: C2012-05 Michael F. Salley, PC Forty Fort, PA</p> <p>VIOLATION: Practicing engineering in West Virginia without a Certificate of Authorization. [§30-13-17(a)]</p> <p>RESOLUTION: Consent Order signed. Civil penalty of \$250 paid. Case closed 2/27/12.</p>	<p>CASE NUMBER: C2012-12 Kevin D. Branscum Painted Post, NY</p> <p>VIOLATION: Practicing engineering in West Virginia without a Certificate of Authorization and practicing outside of area of education and/or experience [§30-13-17(a), W. Va. R. 7-1-12.3(b) & 7-1-12.4(a)]</p> <p>RESOLUTION: Consent Order signed. Civil penalties of \$2000 and administrative costs of \$500 assessed.</p>



Investigator's Corner

Don Johnson, PE, Board Investigator

As I said last year, the number of registrants continues to grow. The main area of growth seems to be comity applicants working in the gas industry. We currently have about 7500 PEs registered in West Virginia and about 2500 companies hold Certificates of Authorization (COAs) to practice engineering in our state. The majority of these are out-of-state registrants. The number of complaints continues to be low. The largest problem continues to be practicing or offering to practice without a license and/or a COA. We did see a few complaints for practicing outside of the person's expertise and sealing work not prepared under the engineer's direct supervision or control. Even though WV doesn't license by discipline the rules of Professional Responsibility require a person to only practice in areas where they have the education and/or experience in the field of engineering involved.

Certificate of Authorization Requirements:

The emphasis on COAs continues. We changed the question on the renewal form. It now asks you to provide the COA number that you are working under or the reason why you do not need to be working under a COA. We provided a space to explain the reason you think you don't need to be working under a COA. If you failed to provide the COA number or answer the question, you were added to the audit list. This resulted in a higher than usual number of audits.

There are a lot of valid reasons why you don't need to be working under a COA. The most common is that you are working for a governmental agency or under an industrial exemption. If you are an employee of one of these entities and you do not offer to practice engineering in WV in any other way (private practice, moonlighting, part-time, etc.), then you are most likely exempt. There are some industries that are not exempt. This is addressed later in this article. The next most common reason is licensed in WV but not practicing or offering to practice in the state. In that case, all you need to do is say this in the response block. A response as simple as "neither I nor my company is practicing or offering to practice engineering in WV and have no plans to do so in the upcoming year" will suffice in most cases. A lot of registrants who

plan on returning to WV or this is their home state and they want to maintain their WV license for personal reasons fall into this category. There are other reasons that you don't need to have a COA such as unemployed or retired, but these relate to not practicing or offering to practice engineering in WV. If you have any doubts or questions regarding the need for a COA, please give me a call. It is a lot easier to answer a question than go through the audit process.

Again this year we found a number of firms practicing or offering to practice engineering in WV without a COA who claimed to be operating under the industrial exemption. Remember, if you are offering engineering services in WV either directly or indirectly (through an engineered product customized for a specific end use or a product requiring an engineer's seal to sell it), then you need to be licensed as a WV PE and you or your company needs to have a COA. Examples of this may include metal buildings, building trusses, pre-manufactured concrete building elements and other similar items.

As I reviewed the COAs as part of the renewal process, I found something unusual. There were several people who listed their firm name as "John Doe and Associates" or "John Doe Engineers" but were registered as a sole proprietor. A sole proprietor, according to WV engineering law, means NO employees. There is no renewal fee for a sole proprietor COA. One of two things is possible: the engineer has employees and is not paying the fee or the engineer is misleading the public into believing it is a larger company than it actually is. Either way is cause for concern.

Professional Development Hour Issue:

A major problem we continue to find in the audit is failure to fill out the form correctly. This mainly occurs in listing incorrect dates on the form. The way the dates are reported makes PDHs fall outside of the renewal period which results in an audit.

We continue to see an on-line PDH provider who reports the PDHs as continuing education **HOURS**. Our registrants interpret them as continuing education units (CEUs) which count for 10 PDHs and as a result claim more PDHs than they earned. Remember you can only get credit for the actual amount of time it took you

to complete the activity up to the maximum stated by the course provider.

We also see people who report completing a large number of PDHs in one day. In most cases the registrant prints out the course information one day and reviews it for a few days or even weeks and then takes all of the examinations in one day. There is nothing wrong with this, but to avoid getting audited, you need to report the day you started the review as the beginning date and the exam date as the completion date. The reason we look at this is there are some course providers whose material can be completed in a lot less time than advertised. Remember, you only get credit for the time it actually took to complete the activity, up to the maximum listed by the course provider.

Things Worth Repeating:

As we have said in the past, keeping your Board record up to date is important. If your address changes without our knowledge, obviously you will not receive the necessary official correspondence such as renewal notices and audit notices. Failure to respond to either of these can result in your license lapsing or being invalidated. Reinstatement involves an application package, references and an additional fee. It can be a hassle. This could potentially lead to a case of unlicensed practice if the person does not realize his license has been lapsed or invalidated and he continues to practice or offer to practice engineering in WV.

Failure to report a change in employers can also be problematic, especially if you are the Engineer in Responsible Charge (EIRC) for the company. First, since you are listed as the EIRC, you could wind up explaining your previous employer's actions should a problem arise. Second, and of more concern, you could ultimately be responsible for a company that is not qualified offering engineering to the public. A PE, as well as the company, has 30 days to notify the Board should a change of EIRC occur.

What Exactly is an Invalidated License?

A registrant's license is invalidated when he or she fails to respond to the annual audit or is unable to provide sufficient proof that any condition of renewal is met, such as inadequate proof of obtaining the required continuing education.

West Virginia does not treat invalidation as a disciplinary action. It does not get reported to NCEES and does not affect Model Law Status for those registered with NCEES, but the license invalidation DOES appear in the Board's newsletter. *As a cautionary note, this is not true of all states. Failure to respond to an audit or responding late to an audit can result in disciplinary actions in some states.*

Remember:

When in doubt, give a shout! Our goal is to be proactive, not reactive, and we are here to help answer your questions before they develop into issues that must be brought to the attention of the Board.

Your WV Company COA Matters

Below is the Certificate of Authorization (COA) questions asked of each professional engineer who completed their required 2012 renewal form. The same information will again be required during the 2013 renewal season beginning in late May 2013.

West Virginia Engineering Law, specifically WV Code §30-13-17 and WV Rule §7-1-11.2, requires you and/or your employer to have a Certificate of Authorization (COA) issued by our agency to practice or to even offer to provide engineering in this state. All PEs that are licensed to practice engineering (or would like the ability to offer engineering services) in the state of West Virginia should be linked to at least one Certificate of Authorization (COA) number issued by our WV PE Board office and assigned to an authorized firm. The Board must fully understand your current engineering employment situation so please provide the COA number(s) and firm name(s) under which you should be linked. This should include your current employer(s) as well as your personal COA if you plan to offer engineering services in WV during this license year (meaning if you own your own firm or practice under your own WV PE license "on the side" or outside of the COA coverage of your regular employer(s)).

Your WV PE Board COA numbers should not be confused with your Certificate of Authority to do business that is issued through the WV Secretary of State's Office. The WV PE Board COA number will be in the format of C09876-00. If you do not know this number, please visit our website to perform a search for your company name or contact your company's Engineer In Responsible Charge for details.

Employer/Company COA Affiliation

Primary Employer Name: _____ * WV COA Number: _____ *

Secondary Employer Name: _____ * WV COA Number: _____ *

Personal/Sole Proprietor Name: _____ * WV COA Number: _____ *

- * The above six (6) lines regarding your COA affiliations must each contain a response. If "Not Applicable", you must list N/A in the required fields where a COA is not relevant to your current practice. *If you list N/A in all fields, meaning you are not practicing or even offering engineering services in WV or believe your employer does not require a COA due to an industry or government exemption, simply include a statement outlining the details of your special circumstances, basic reason for licensure or explanation of your exempt status.*

An Important, Proactive Reminder:

Our Board has taken disciplinary action against firms practicing or offering to provide engineering services without the required COA, and therefore we are attempting to be proactive in educating our licensees regarding the need for a COA and properly linking their engineering work to one or more authorized firms. If you do not have a WV COA permitting you or your current employer to practice, you must download and mail a completed COA application for immediate processing by our office before pursuing any additional work on projects within our state. **Sole proprietors with NO employees must also have a COA. There is no charge for COA applications for sole proprietors with NO employees other than yourself on the payroll. If you are submitting a COA application for processing, you may still complete this PE renewal process. Simply note PENDING in the COA number fields above.**



Counsel's Column

Are You Talking to Me?

Debra L. Hamilton, Board Counsel and Deputy Attorney General

Remember that scene in *Taxi Driver*? Robert De Niro clearly wasn't talking about renewing his engineering credentials, but it is also clear that many engineers applying for renewal of their West Virginia license don't think the Board is "talking to them" when asking the following question:

"Since your last WV PE renewal, have you been subject to any disciplinary action or any investigation by any local, state or national regulatory body (including those in WV) or have you been convicted of or pled no contest to a misdemeanor or felony?"

There have been times when a renewal applicant marks 'no' and it is later learned that the answer clearly was 'yes.' Apparently this is not just a problem in West Virginia. Peggy Abshagen, the Executive Director of the Delaware PE Board, wrote an article for the NCEES Licensure Exchange entitled "Is this disciplinary action?" since a lot of Delaware's applicants thought the question didn't apply to them. Her article inspired this one for WV PEs.

Importantly, the question on West Virginia's renewal form is broader than actual discipline and asks about regulatory boards, which is broader than licensing boards. It should be easy to know if you were investigated by a regulatory body or involved in a criminal matter for which you were convicted or entered a no contest plea. If there were criminal matters, you need to answer 'yes' and explain. Same thing if you have received a communication from a regulatory body asking questions about matters that may trigger some disciplinary or other enforcement action, even if no such action has been taken.

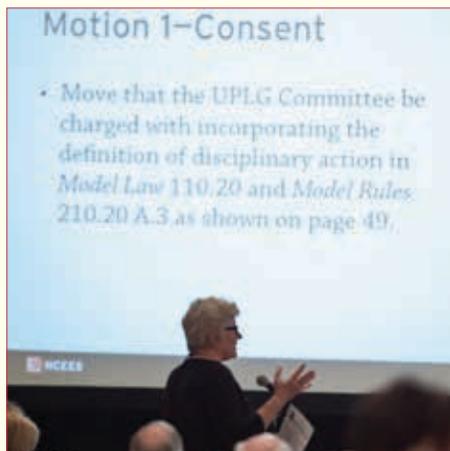
You may be less sure about what constitutes 'disciplinary action.' There are many meanings for the word 'discipline.' PEs use the word to describe their area of education, experience and expertise. In this context, however, the following meanings are more applicable: a systematic method to obtain obedience, a state of order based upon submission to rules and authority, punishment intended to correct or train.¹

W. Va. Code 30-13-21 sets forth various grounds for disciplinary action and authorizes various forms of discipline, including suspension, revocation, nonrenewal or non-issuance of a license, probation, civil penalties and reprimands. The Board has imposed or agreed to all these forms of discipline and has at times exercised its authority and discretion to require or allow the professional engineer to take additional education, practice under supervision, or any other remedy that serves to address the violation while protecting the public.

When a complaint is not dismissed by the Board and disciplinary action is being pursued, West Virginia Engineering Law provides for a number of ways to get the matter resolved: negotiation

West Virginia PE Board will almost assuredly know if a person or firm applying for licensure or renewal in West Virginia was disciplined by another engineering board and the Board often learns of other investigations, disciplinary actions or criminal matters.

Clearly, your best and safest bet is to self-report any investigation, disciplinary action or criminal matter because not providing the information or misstating the information may also subject you to discipline for providing misinformation to the Board. Like Delaware's executive director stated in her NCEES article, enforcement is as important as the three E's that qualify someone to be an engineer (education, examination and experience). And those aren't



Hamilton lends her legal expertise by speaking on a motion prior to the vote at the 2012 Annual Meeting in St. Louis, Missouri.

with Board counsel, informal conferences with the Board, or a hearing before the Board. The first two result in a Consent Order which is agreed to by both the Board and the person or firm being disciplined. A hearing may result in a Board Order, which is discipline imposed by the Board without the Respondent's consent. Both types of orders are disciplinary actions, and both must be reported.

The West Virginia Board also reports these orders to the NCEES Enforcement Exchange database, as do most PE licensing boards. The



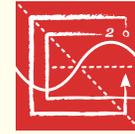
Counsel hard at work on crafting legislative language to best suit the needs of the Member Boards.

the only important E's in Engineering, because ethics and expertise are also required.

So, yes, the Board is talking to you. If you have paid a civil penalty, been required to take a class, or been reprimanded by a regulatory board, you have been disciplined. It doesn't matter if you agreed to the action or the Board imposed it, it is still discipline. Point it out yourself before someone else points it out for you. Err on the side of reporting anything that may be responsive to the Board's question. You'll be glad you did.

¹ Taken from the American Heritage Dictionary. Merriam-Webster has similar definitions: punishment; training that corrects, molds, or perfects the mental faculties or moral character; control gained by enforcing obedience or order; a rule or system of rules governing conduct or activity.

Important Changes to NCEES Exams



NCEES

advancing licensure for engineers and surveyors

2013 NCEES PE Exam Changes

In the April 2013 exam administration, NCEES will implement changes to two PE examinations and introduce a new examination.

- **PE Software Engineering**—The Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE) Software Engineering exam will be offered for the first time in April 2013.
- **PE Industrial**—The PE Industrial exam will have new specifications and move to a spring administration schedule in April 2013. October 2012 was the last time this exam was offered in the fall.
- **PE Civil**—The PE Civil exam will have revised design standards for the Construction, Civil Structural, and Transportation modules starting in April 2013.

The new exam specifications are attached and are to be posted on ncees.org.



Important NCEES FE Exam Changes

NCEES is scheduled to complete the transition of the Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) and Fundamentals of Surveying (FS) exams to computer-based testing (CBT) on January 1, 2014. The transition to CBT involves significant changes to the format of the exams and the procedures for administering them.

In 2010, the Council approved a motion that NCEES prepare and administer the FE and FS exams via CBT at the earliest feasible date.

Since that action, NCEES has worked with our selected CBT vendor, Pearson VUE, to complete the transition of these exams from a pencil-and-paper format to a CBT delivery system. A content review was completed for the FE and FS exams, which resulted in new specifications for each exam. The new specifications are posted on the NCEES website (ncees.org/cbt).

The following information concerning the conversion of the FE and FS exams is provided for your information and dissemination as appropriate:

- The October 2013 exam administration will be the last administration of the FE and FS exams in pencil-and-paper format. Effective January 1, 2014, the FE and FS exams will only be offered via CBT.
- Computer-based FE and FS exams will be administered only at approved Pearson VUE testing centers.
- Registration for all exams will open Monday, November 4, 2013. The first available seating at a Pearson VUE testing center for the FE and FS exams will be Tuesday, January 2, 2014. Registration for the PE and PS exams in pencil-and-paper format will be for the April 2014 administration.
- There will be four testing windows for the FE and FS exams annually. Each of these windows will last two months, with a month between them. Therefore, exam appointments will be available in January and February, with no exams offered in March; exam appointments available in April and May, with no exams offered in June, etc.
- Candidates for a CBT exam may take the exam only one time per testing window and no more than three times in a 12-month period.
- Effective with the opening of registration on November 4, 2013, candidates registering to take the FE or FS exam will be required to pay NCEES directly for all exam-related fees. This will be included as a part of the online registration process and will require payment with MasterCard or Visa.

The NCEES pages contain an overview of recent news releases received from the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES), as well as NCEES Licensure Exchange, concerning items that may be of interest to our engineering community. Some of these articles may have been adapted to fit the space allocated. For more information on any of these updates, or to review the full news releases, simply visit the NCEES website at www.ncees.org.

- The FE and FS exams will be six hours in length, which will include a tutorial, breaks, the exam, and a brief survey at the conclusion of the exam.
- The FE and FS exams will continue to be closed book. Supplied reference material for the exams will be electronic and will be available on the NCEES website.
- Examinees will be allowed to bring and use NCEES-approved calculators on CBT exams.
- Sample exams for the computer-based FE and FS will be available for purchase after the October 2013 exam administration.

The NCEES exam committees, Computer-Based Testing Implementation Task Force, and NCEES staff continue to work to finalize details related to this significant change in the future delivery system of the FE and FS exams. They are also working with Pearson VUE to identify potential sites for new testing centers to ensure there is adequate seating capacity at locations convenient to our candidate population centers. For West Virginia, Pearson VUE already has testing sites in Charleston and Morgantown so our exam candidates should not expect to experience any changes in geographical locations of our testing centers.

The WV State Board of Registration is currently preparing submissions to the WV Legislature to update their Engineering Law and Rules to reflect the new method of applying for and taking the FE exam.



Social Media

Want to engage with others about the profession? Eager to be the first to know when results are released? Join NCEES on your preferred social network to experience a new level of interaction and learning.



Facebook: NCEES' Facebook page (facebook.com/NCEES) is filled with premium content, a rich history of NCEES, and photo albums of recent events. Like NCEES on Facebook, and you'll be able to stay on top of the pertinent issues affecting the engineering and surveying professions.



Twitter: If you prefer to quickly scan headlines, follow NCEES on Twitter (twitter.com/NCEES) to learn about its activities and engineering and surveying related news. Retweet NCEES to share important facts and answers to common questions about licensure with your colleagues.



LinkedIn: Do you hold a professional engineering or surveying license? Join NCEES' LinkedIn groups (Professionally Licensed Engineering Community and Professionally Licensed Surveying Community) to connect with your professionally licensed peers. You can also broadcast your association with NCEES by following its LinkedIn page.



YouTube: NCEES YouTube channel (youtube.com/NCEESMedia) features videos of professional engineers and professional surveyors promoting the value of licensure. These videos are excellent tools to share with those who want to know more about our organization and the process of becoming licensed. In the near future, NCEES' YouTube will be expanding to include videos that answer their most frequently asked question, as well as to clarify processes and policies.



Computer-Based Testing : NCEES is transitioning the FE and FS exams to computer-based testing (CBT) in 2014. A webpage (ncees.org/CBT) was created to keep everyone informed during the move to CBT. Currently, the webpage features recorded webinars for the engineering and surveying communities, answers to frequently asked questions, and a map of future testing locations. Bookmark this webpage so that you can easily find updated information on the transition to CBT.

About NCEES

NCEES (the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying) is a national nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing professional licensure for engineers and surveyors. It develops, administers, and scores the examinations used for engineering and surveying licensure in the United States. It also facilitates professional mobility and promotes uniformity of the U.S. licensure processes through services for its member licensing boards and licensees. These services include the records program, study materials, credentials evaluations, exam administration, and more. NCEES is headquartered in Clemson, SC.

Learn more at NCEES website at www.ncees.org.

Free Webinar Available for your Viewing Pleasure!

On January 30, 2013, NCEES presented a webinar to update its member licensing boards on preparations to implement computer-based testing for the FE and FS exams in January 2014. If you would like to be on the forefront of the transition and get answers to questions about how it will impact the Engineer Intern certification process, you, your employees, future students and engineering programs, watch a video of the presentation to learn about exam registration, testing windows, exam length, and how NCEES will supply reference materials to examinees.

The content of this webinar included:

- Why the transition to CBT
- The exam content review process
- How the FE and FS exams will change
- How the new format and frequency of institution reports will change
- Pearson VUE testing center locations
- Q&A session at the conclusion of the presentation

Visit <http://cvt.ncees.org/category/ncees-media/page/2/> to view the free webinar via YouTube and to review a summary of the answers to audience members' questions during the webinar. You can also stay up-to-date with the progress of the transition to CBT by subscribing to the social media outlets noted in the above article or by entering your email address on the NCEES website to have new updates sent directly to your Inbox.

Simply log on to the link above to get plugged in!



Congratulations to Our Successful 2012 PE Examinees

The following is a list of examinees that successfully passed the NCEES Principles and Practice of Engineering Exam in West Virginia during the April and October 2012 exam administrations. The WV PE Board salutes these individuals on their professional accomplishments to date and wishes them continued success in their professional engineering careers.

APRIL 2012 PASS

Nicholas B. Burdette
Brian P. Chapman
Andrew J. Corkrean
Harold J. Deleo Jr.
Ghassan M. Haddad
James B. Hall
Jason G. Hamilton
Joseph E. Hanning
Bradley S. Harr
Joshua P. Holbrook
Holly R. Johnson

Christopher J. Kinsey
Robert S. Kinzel
Mark A. Lambros
Tiffany R. Long
Mark D. McLean
Benjamin J. Newlon
Sairam Palley
Harry C. Parker
Shelley W. Porter
Jeremy R. Rader

Jason D. Robinson
Joseph D. Robinson
Navneet R. Singh
Michael L. Sipe
Benjamin L. Smith
Timothy N. Smith
Ross E. Stuart
Tracy A. Thewlis
Matthew P. Williams
Andrew S. Wise

OCTOBER 2012 PASS

Jeremy D. Ayers
Michael R. Barido II
Nicholas B. Burdette
Matthew C. Corathers
Jason A. Derrick
Shane A. Fisher
Garrett J. Grubb
Stephanie D. Hickerson
Quintin G. Justice
Eric J. Keefe
Matthew B. Kisling

Allan Lee
Travis W. Lynn
Amelia H. McClure
Derek S. McDaniel
David P. McGraw
Marshall A. Morris
Srikanth Reddy
Muddasani
Harry G. Netzer III
Lucas P. O'Neal

Donald A. Pasquinelli Jr.
Christopher M. Quaranta
Brian J. Rabbitt
Alex M. Sanchez
Joshua D. Santrock
Robert F. Simmons III
William T. Swan III
Eric V. Taylor
Terrence M. Thomas
Tyler J. Winkler

WV EXPO Trivia!

EXPO 2012 Featured:

- 459 Indoor Booths
- 9 Outdoor Exhibitors
- 323 Exhibitors
- 73 Honor Exhibitors
- Approximately 5,000 Show Attendees - From 27 States!
- 59 Quality Seminars / Meetings including the WV PE Board Sessions
- 15 Sessions in the WV Marcellus to Manufacturing (M2M) Conference



WV EXPO 2013

The 34th Annual WV Construction & Design Exposition
Charleston Civic Center, Charleston, WV
Wednesday, March 20, 2013 - Thursday, March 21, 2013

SEMINAR/MEETING TITLE:
**Trends in Engineering Licensure and
FE/PE Successful Examinee Recognition**

DATE OF SEMINAR:
Wednesday, March 20, 2013

LENGTH OF SEMINAR:
2 hours

CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS:
2 PDHs

www.wvexpo.com

Once again, the WV PE Board will be providing a valuable continuing education opportunity free of charge at the upcoming WV Construction & Design Exposition (WV EXPO). Details are noted on the left.

Join us for an interactive discussion regarding trends in engineering licensure, current WV PE Board activities and NCEES initiatives. Participants will have the opportunity to interact with the WV PE Board members, WVSPE officers and our NCEES Past-President. Anticipated topics include discussion on the value of PE licensure, trends in continuing education, minimum

educational requirements for licensure trends in other countries, complaint resolution including ethics related matters, current NCEES issues and future exam changes.

The WV PE Board will complete their presentation by joining the leaders of WVSPE to honor those students and professionals who successfully passed the 2012 NCEES Principle and Practice of Engineering Exams or the Fundamentals of Engineering Exams in West Virginia. If you are among this elite group, a formal invitation will be mailed to your primary address of record in late February 2013.

2012 WV Licensee Status Report and Audit Outcome

The following is a numerical summary of registered individuals and firms as of January 28, 2013. The results take into account all new licensees as well as those participating in the annual renewal process.

- » Active PEs - 7613
- » Retired PEs - 320
- » Active COAs - 2894

Lapsed Status Summary for 2012 Renewal Season

- » PEs who failed to renew 193
- » Retired PEs who failed to renew ... 27
- » COAs which failed to renew 84

To view or download a complete roster of the Active PE licenses, Company Certificates of Authorization (COAs) and Retired PEs, simply visit our website. You may also access the online verification search to determine if a particular individual and/or company is authorized to practice or offer to provide engineering services in WV. However, as noted in the site disclaimer, users should be cautioned that the current search mechanism is only updated every 60-90 days. All submitted address changes and new licensees, as well as any recent action by the Board changing the status of a licensee, will not appear immediately.

For specific questions regarding information found (or not found) in your search, please do not hesitate to contact the Board office for the most up-to-date information maintained in our secure, in-house database.

Lapsed PE Licenses – The following individuals did not respond to the 2012 Active PE renewal and therefore their licenses lapsed as of September 30, 2012.

WV PE #	NAME	WV PE #	NAME	WV PE #	NAME
018801	Rudolph A. Aboyure	018940	David B. Gardner	009472	Ross M. Parkman
006478	Onas E. Aliff	015927	Edward P. Geraghty, Jr.	015521	Robert L. Paul
018728	Hasan R. Alkhayri	015717	Daniel G. Gilroy	016759	Bernard G. Petro
009861	Joel W. Allen	015115	Lawrence P. Goldfarb	008862	John C. Petura
011947	Ernest R. Alley	014693	Donald M. Goodman	017187	Donald L. Phillips, Jr.
017946	William S. Anderson	017589	Mark A. Gray	009751	John E. Plunkett
018545	Albert S. Antoine	013319	Daniel Grieco, Jr.	009274	Harold D. Pruitt
015921	Attila Arat	015894	Timothy J. Gustafson	007861	Subash C. Puri
019460	Stephen M. Arndt	016594	Dennis A. Guthrie	010292	Dr. Jimmie D. Ramey
015607	Christopher R. Arrington	009148	John J. Hagen	010866	Timothy A. Randolph
014950	Frederick A. Barbieri	005369	Ronald C. Harris	016900	Daren H. Raskin
017375	William E. Barnhart	017672	Charles W. Hartman	015961	Richard J. Robinson
015193	Marc T. Barry	017571	Paul W. Hayman	011399	Robert M. Rohaly, Jr.
019117	Raymond L. Beaufait	016423	Thomas D. Hazzard	007208	John W. Rollyson
005618	Curt B. Beck	009709	Roger L. Henderson	007398	Earl H. Rothfuss, Jr.
014347	Ned W. Belt, Jr.	014644	J. Barry Hennings	017619	Jeffrey W. Ruffner
017365	Carl P. Benson	009301	D. Lane Hersey	005457	Charles M. Russell, Jr.
016169	Steven R. Bertheau	015088	Gary L. Hoffman	013835	Randall W. Russell
011817	Joseph T. Bevil	019573	Barry D. Holbert, Sr.	014033	Victor Ryzhikov
003743	Thomas J. Blair, III	019223	Walter D. Horn	011195	Stanley T. Samborski, III
004613	Murray Blitz	017939	Lawrence A. Hunter	018978	Anthony D. Satcher
016553	Daniel L. Blubaugh	018995	Andrew A. Hurt	017161	Jeffrey W. Schaumburg
018696	Mary Ann S. Bonadeo	015217	Daniel J. Ianello	015413	John M. Scheffey
016481	Marc Bowen	018367	Ronald J. Jackson	017894	Robert S. Schentur
017169	Brian R. Braaksma	009176	J. Michael Jay	018570	James M. Seternus
007613	Raymond C. Brainard	017715	Nimal N. Jayaratne	016289	Ahmed A. Shaaban
010362	Patrick I. Branch	016264	Paul F. Johnson	018498	Mary J. Shanks
018301	David T. Branham	018553	Peter F. Johnson	016232	Timothy M. Shea
008525	John M. Brinjac	019262	Robert S. Johnson	019133	Scott C. Shifflett
016420	M. York Brogden	012182	James A. Keller	015814	Judson E. Shreve
014854	William J. Brooks	019576	Phillip L. Kershner, Jr.	015047	Phillip W. Shrout
018582	Jennifer A. Brophy-Price	019395	Francis I. Klusek	019472	Nathan W. Silvus
010434	Jerry L. Brosius	010834	Douglas C. Knuth	017317	Ekle A. Small
016258	Balthaser A. Brungardt	017753	Adam O. Korn	008808	Irvin C. Smiley
011957	Kim A. Burke	016894	Robert G. Kurilla	015048	Jason P. South
008526	Edward M. Byrd	016430	Brian T. Lafreniere	019406	Kenneth W. Spencer
018804	Bruce A. Campbell	017777	Gerry A. Lanham, Sr.	015355	Christopher M. Swan, III
004568	Darrell K. Carr	016179	John A. Laperriere-Hunt	010295	Daniel M. Tassin
018070	Jason D. Casey	018048	Lucien M. Larche	016549	Alfred E. Taylor
019063	Joseph K. Chan	009123	William R. Ledbetter, Jr.	014616	David E. Touring
018969	Robb P. Chock	015561	Jeffrey T. Legault	011679	Francois R. Trahan
016020	Robert J. Clay	007410	Walter P. Leput	016045	Chau B. Tran
018775	Colleen M. Conrad	016721	James M. Light	015234	Okey G. Tucker, Jr.
015456	David E. Cooper	019103	Matthew W. Loser	016396	Andrew J. Tuel
017905	Val M. Courtney	015181	Kenneth D. Lyons	009072	Edward D. Turner
016879	Timothy F. Curran	016897	Rex R. Mackey	017742	Brigida F. Van Doornik
017493	William W. Dameron	014111	Robert L. Makeever	009073	Clifford E. Vaughan
018601	William E. Dashiell, Sr.	007703	Thomas A. Maliszewski	015358	Berry L. Veney
013314	Larry R. Daudet	016244	David Marchese	016658	John L. Wackerly
016466	Brian J. David	019167	Eric M. Matzan	018663	Scott M. Walsh
015087	John S. Davis	005790	Marion H. McDowell, Jr.	005105	Robert G. Ward
013601	Bony R. Dawood	015494	David T. McElhane	015600	Roger C. Ward
018526	Eduardo De Santiago	015303	Farrokh Mojtabehi	018290	Kenton C. Weber
007732	John T. Debell	015761	Ruth Z. Moradi	018860	Derek R. Westfall
017906	Brian J. Dey	017697	Dempsie B. Morrison, III	017661	George P. Wheatley
019123	Michael R. Dunham	009577	Ralph Mottola, Jr.	016064	Gary A. Wilken
013957	Brent S. Edmiston	016584	John L. Mullins	013143	Dennis M. Williams
014787	Sameer S. Fares	011655	Krishnapura R. Narayanappa	009410	Timothy L. Williams
009539	Lawrence A. Farrer	005248	Eddie W. Nutter	010895	W. Wayne Willis
016201	Anthony D. Fish, Jr.	018563	Donald L. Obst, Jr.	015942	David R. Wilson
012880	Howard W. Fleming, Jr.	015043	Timothy W. O'connor	016945	Michael A. Wright
015826	Patricia L. Fordyce	015001	William R. Overman	014709	Jiantao Yu
006548	Belknap Freeman	012916	J. Paul Oxer	015230	Gerald Zadikoff
016276	Steven L. Frenette	019005	Robert E. Page, Jr.	015164	Robert D. Ziebarth
012500	Kurt D. Frey				

Lapsed Retired PE Licenses – The following individuals did not respond to the 2012 Retired renewal and therefore their retired licenses lapsed as of September 30, 2012.

WV PE #	NAME	WV PE #	NAME	WV PE #	NAME
004565	Joe H. Allen	014143	Dale L. Draper	011888	Orrin B. Mac Murray
007798	Jimmie L. Anderson	012810	Carl L. Eichstaedt, Jr.	006341	Charles B. Mcdowell
013154	Klemens C. Baczewski	010347	Lloyd M. English, III	006987	William T. Meredith
005845	John E. Britt	008740	Nelson W. Ferguson	010847	Thomas J. Monaghan, Sr.
007691	John H. Brass	005366	Dexter J. Fowler	018162	Bakht Quraish
005853	Theodore B. Burns	010447	James R. Honeywell	015499	Kenneth G. Stepka
007255	Robert D. Carson, Jr.	005407	Wilmot C. Jones, Jr.	016611	Marvin S. Thomas
006932	James R. Deland, Jr.	009303	Victor J. Kimm	009337	Alan P. Wheaton
003832	Frank C. Dorsch	014108	Thomas A. Kite	017623	Joe D. Witcher

Lapsed COAs – The following companies did not respond to the 2012 COA renewal and therefore their Certificates of Authorization lapsed as of September 30, 2012.

WV COA #	NAME	WV COA #	NAME
C01055-00	Advent Environmental, Inc.	C03199-00	Kebrotech
C03680-00	Aic Structural Consultants, Inc.	C03920-00	L H Cowan and Associates, Inc.
C01929-00	Aquatic Design & Engineering Co., Inc.	C02617-00	Lifetime Technology Group
C00656-00	Aries Engineering, Inc.	C01545-00	Makeever & Associates, Inc.
C03183-00	Attila Arat, PE	C03416-00	Marc Barry Engineering, PC
C03526-00	B & R Design Group, Inc.	C02045-00	Matrix Service, Inc.
C03429-00	Belknap Freeman, PE	C04243-00	Maxis Engineering, LLC
C03208-00	BLV Electrical Engineers	C03486-00	Meade Electric Company
C01295-00	Briggs Engineering, LLC	C04130-00	Michael Karmis
C01032-00	Carr Engineering & Surveying	C02141-00	Moradi Engineering, Inc.
C04071-00	Christopher R. Stroupe, III	C02978-00	Mortarless Systems Engineering, Inc.
C02886-00	Civilscape, PLLC	C01968-00	NEI Electric Power Engineering, Inc.
C01484-00	Clifford Dias, PE, PC	C04156-00	Novusordo Engineering & Construction, LLC
C01284-00	CSI Engineering, PC	C03960-00	Nufab National Rebar, Inc.
C01733-00	Curt Beck Consulting	C03952-00	Olsson Associates Inc.
C01388-00	Dant Clayton Corporation	C02885-00	Onas E. Alifif
C01861-00	David D. Eyer	C04208-00	Open Roads Consulting, Inc.
C01247-00	Davis Renn & Associates, Inc.	C01323-00	Patton Harris Rust & Associates, PC
C02566-00	Dellovade Technical Services	C03878-00	PM&E Design Group, PC
C01129-00	Donald E. Bailey, Jr.	C02633-00	R. C. Harris Engr. & Const.
C02274-00	DRF Design Group, Inc.	C03181-00	R. Clay, Inc.
C00835-00	E. Roberts Alley & Associates, Inc.	C02916-00	R. L. Slusher, PE
C04153-00	Eckles Architecture and Engineering	C02733-00	Raskin Engineering, Inc.
C04154-00	Endeavor Technologies, LLC	C03832-00	Rhino Fire Protection Engineering, PLLC
C01540-00	Engineering Advantage, Inc.	C02618-00	Robert J. Petroski, PE
C04114-00	Engineering Design Technologies, Inc.	C00491-00	Rock Branch Mechanical, Inc.
C01184-00	Environmental Engineering, Inc.	C02517-00	Sali Group, LLC
C03020-00	Ershigs, Inc.	C01506-00	Schlenger/Pitz & Associates, Inc.
C03533-00	Flexible Lifeline Systems, Inc.	C04240-00	Silvus Engineering Consulting
C03666-00	Frye Engineering	C03841-00	Soil Engineering Consultants, PLLC
C02568-00	Geologic Technology	C03940-00	Sourcecorp TBG, LP
C03446-00	Geostabilization, Inc.	C03597-00	Tankinetics, Inc.
C02735-00	Guffey Engineering, Inc.	C02950-00	Thomas J. Blair, III
C02990-00	Harman Engineering	C04146-00	Valerio Associates, PC
C03975-00	HMT, Inc. DBA HMT of NY, Inc.	C02550-00	Walter P. Leput, PE
C01679-00	Ingram-Hagen & Co, PLC	C03925-00	Watson Consulting Engineers
C01206-00	Interplan, LLC	C01597-00	Wick Buildings, LLC
C01922-00	J. Paul Ozer, PE	C00534-00	Wilbur Smith Associates, Inc.
C03324-00	J. T. Sauer & Associates, LLC	C03815-00	Wilkinson Engineering, Inc.
C04056-00	Jeske Engineering, Inc.	C03644-00	Wind Consultants, LLC, DBA Renewable Resource Consultants, LLC
C02583-00	John E. Plunkett	C03417-00	Worley and Sons
C02293-00	Johnson Engineering & Associates, PLLC	C03670-00	WV EE&S Company
C04134-00	Joseph G. Dipompeo, PE		

Invalidated PE License – The following individuals failed to respond or submit acceptable PDH documentation for the required continuing education audit and therefore their licenses were invalidated as of December 2012.

WV PE #	NAME	WV PE #	NAME	WV PE #	NAME
01292	Stephen E. Adams	017149	Danmei Gui	016433	Donald G. Posson
018746	Mark J. Augustine	018768	John K. Hagopian, II	009730	Dennis R. Regan
011073	Paul A. Bernard	016989	Keith B. Hegerhorst	019045	Brian C. Schaller
018363	Roberta J. Cameruca	010907	James M. Hotinger	015869	Jason M. Seaverson
016780	Todd A. Doenitz	012415	Clyde G. Hurst, III	018497	Donald O. Seward, Sr.
018811	Jarrod B. Edens	014829	Michael R. Johnson	012655	Surinder Singh, Jr.
013376	Gary L. Gosda	013988	William B. Keaton	018378	E. M. Swann
012930	Michael J. Grafe	018559	Jason R. Milligan	013863	Peter J.H. Thomson, Jr.
008293	Geoffrey D. Green	016432	Anthony D. Ooten	014278	Rahim A. Zadeh
015719	William A. Griswold, Jr.				

Former registrants whose PE licenses or COAs have lapsed, those which were made inactive at the request of the PE or firm, or those invalidated for reasons noted above must be reinstated prior to practicing or offering to provide engineering services in WV. To be reinstated, PE's or firms shall supply a complete reinstatement application package to the Board along with payment of appropriate reinstatement fees. For complete details on the reinstatement process, please visit our website for all application materials and relevant fees.

Note: Individuals or companies listed may have already begun or completed the reinstatement process to bring a lapsed, inactive or invalidated license into good standing. Again, visit our website for details or contact the Board office for the most current information or with any specific questions.

Invalidated COA Licenses – The following companies' Certificates of Authorization were invalidated for failure to name an Active WV PE in responsible charge as required by WV Code and therefore their licenses were invalidated as of January 2013.

WV COA #	Name
C02051-00	Ameresco, Inc.
C02880-00	Ansted Engineering & Surveying, Inc.
C00072-00	Brinjac Engineering, Inc.
C02164-00	Brungardt Honomichl & Co., PA
C02366-00	CMW, Inc.
C03229-00	Deam-Ron Building Systems, LLC
C03701-00	Dennis Regan, PE
C03381-00	EDG2, Inc.
C04351-00	EMC2, Inc.
C03605-00	GPW & Associates, LLC
C01904-00	Green Engineering Office
C03714-00	Grotheer & Company
C03831-00	H. E. Consultants, LLC
C02906-00	Hegerhorst Power Engineering, Inc.
C03974-00	J&S Structural Engineers
C02434-00	J. F. Allen Company
C04480-00	Jason R. Milligan, PE
C04336-00	Land & Water Engineering Science, Inc.
C01477-00	Mottola Rini Engineers, PC
C02497-00	R. G. Vanderweil Engineers, LLP
C03738-00	Robert G. Dashiell, Jr., PE, Inc.



Address Changes and Employment Updates

It is the responsibility of the licensee or certificate holder to notify the Board of any change in information previously submitted to the Board, such as name change, change of address or phone numbers, change of employer, or change of PE in responsible charge for a firm. This information should be provided within 30 days of when the change occurs to ensure proper delivery of licensure correspondence and uninterrupted Board service.

Please visit the Board's website at www.wvpebd.org to submit your personal changes with a click of your mouse by using the online "Change of Address" form or simply email the new information to info@wvpebd.org.

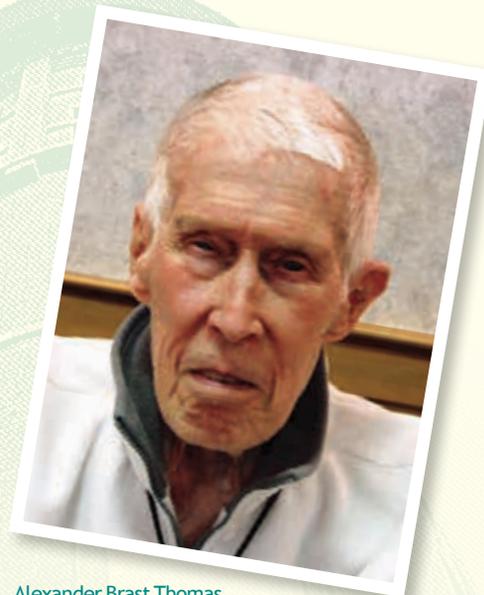
The End of One Chapter Marks the Beginning of Another

The WV PE Board and engineering community were saddened to learn that our oldest active PE, Alexander Brast Thomas, passed away on August 20, 2012. Commander Alexander Brast Thomas, United States Navy (Retired) was a long-time Huntington, WV resident and third-generation Civil Engineer and retired Naval Officer. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio on April 28, 1914 and lived to be 98 years old.

Mr. Thomas ran two engineering businesses and carried the oldest assigned active WV PE number of #2360 assigned to him on September 11, 1950. Archived records indicate that Mr. Thomas had maintained Active PE status for a total of 62 years! Mr. Thomas was very loyal to the engineering profession and was very active in the Engineers Club of Huntington as well as the American Society of Civil Engineers. Ms. Rosier-Tabor recalls receiving a phone call from Mr. Thomas during license renewal season nearly every year of the last

11 years she has been employed with the Board. Rosier-Tabor stated "He never once complained of the continuing education requirements like many of our younger 'whippersnappers' do, but praised the Board for being one of the first in the country to enact such legislation. He often said 'it keeps the mind healthy, curious and growing' and then chuckled saying 'some of us need a little more than others!'"

As we close one early chapter in the Board's history books, we open another. On December 18, 2012, the Board crossed a monumental mark by assigning WV PE #20000 to comity applicant Mr. Timothy Dallas. Mr. Dallas is a Principal Engineer for URS Consultants in Cleveland, Ohio. The WV PE Board welcomes Mr. Dallas and wishes him a very long and prosperous career. We can only hope that he takes such pride in his PE license and the engineering profession as Mr. Thomas did and serve this unique WV PE number well into the future.



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Calendar of Events - 2013

January	11	FE & PE Application Deadline for April 2013 Exam Administrations
	31	Board Meeting - WV PE Board Office, Charleston, WV PE Exam Candidate Interviews, Charleston, WV
February	7-9	NCEES Board Presidents Assembly, Atlanta, GA (Meeting on February 8th)
	17-23	National Engineers E-Week - various Board activities and speaking engagements
March	19	Board Meeting - WV PE Board Office, Charleston, WV
	20-21	34th Annual WV EXPO and Continuing Education Seminars, Charleston, WV
April	12	PE Exam, Charleston and Morgantown, WV
	13	FE Exam, Charleston and Morgantown, WV
May	2-5	NCEES Northeast Zone Meeting, Cape May, NJ
	28	Board Meeting - WV PE Board Office, Charleston, WV
July	16	Board Meeting - WV PE Board Office, Charleston, WV
	27	FE & PE Application Deadline for October 2013 Exam Administrations
August	8	PE Exam Candidate Interviews, Charleston, WV
	21-24	NCEES Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX
September	17	Board Meeting - WV PE Board Office, Charleston, WV
October	25	PE Exam, Charleston, WV
	26	FE Exam, Charleston and Morgantown, WV (Last paper and pencil FE Exam Administration)
November	7	Board Meeting - WVU Institute of Technology, Montgomery, WV (tentative)



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