

PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS AND MAPPERS



MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

By: Margarita Weidener, Chair

The Board of Professional Surveyors and Mappers announces two important sessions to be held on June 6, 1995, at the Ramada Airport Hotel & Conference Center, 5303 West Kennedy Boulevard, Tampa, Florida. Beginning at 8:30 a.m., or shortly thereafter, the board will be holding a workshop on revisions to Chapter 177, Florida Statutes. A subsequent workshop will be held on September 18, 1995, in Ft. Lauderdale. These workshops are being scheduled to allow input from all concerned parties on proposed changes to Chapter 177, Florida Statutes. You are encouraged to attend.

The afternoon session will begin at 1:00 p.m. This session will be devoted to review of the Minimum Technical Standards. Attendance is mandatory for providers of continuing education and consultants currently on contract with the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; however, all licensees are encouraged to attend.

These sessions, like many others, are being scheduled to allow access to licensees and the general public. As a licensee, it pays to be informed of current and proposed changes to the laws and rules applicable to the practice of surveying and mapping.

What's in a name, recertification, update, or resurvey

Prepared by James Shiskin, Approved by the Board (Reprinted from November 1986 Newsletter)

Prior to the advent of the Minimum Technical Standards adopted in 1981, as a general rule, the Florida Surveyor would proceed under one of the following situations when working with prior surveys:

1. He would provide to his client a recertified or updated survey by only visually inspecting the parcel to see that there were no changes to the prior survey without verifying that property corners still existed; or
2. He would perform a limited amount of survey work to locate any additions or changes to the site since the previous survey without possibly verifying the existence of all property corners; or
3. He would perform a total resurvey, since he in fact, physically needed to reset and/or verify property corners to accomplish the needs of the client while accounting for all changes on the site.

Since the implementation of the standards, the Board of Land Surveyors

has responded to various questions regarding the aforementioned survey situations. The position of the board, relative to the intent of the standards are:

1. If a previous survey is to be released with a current date,

regardless of the date of the original survey, the surveyor must adhere to, and certify to the compliance with the standards, of which includes, but not limited to, the need to verify and/or reset all property corners and show or reference all changes to the site improvements; also,

2. If an existing survey is to be released with a current date certified by a former

member of a firm, (by changing employment, or being deceased), or of a survey acquired by a firm, now having the records and surveys of a now nonexistent firm, the surveyor must adhere to the standards and certify to the compliance with the standards; and finally,

3. If there is a request to make a revision on the survey drawing that

... is that the intent of the standards are followed and that in no way should there be an attempt to circumvent the standards...

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1995 Meeting Schedule

Tampa:	June 6 (a.m.)	Workshop on Chapter 177 revisions
	June 6 (1:00)	Review of Minimum Technical Standards
	June 7 & 8	Full Board & Probation Committee
Ft. Lauderdale:	September 18	Workshop on Chapter 177 revisions and Minimum Technical Standards
	September 19 & 20	Full Board & Probation Committee
Tallahassee:	December 6 & 7	Full Board & Probation Committee

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MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY

Dear friend:

In the three months since Governor Chiles appointed me Secretary of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, I have been meeting and sharing ideas with licensees, board members and BPR employees across Florida. I am grateful for their candid assessment of what our department does well and where improvement is needed. I look forward to continuing this kind of open and honest dialogue during my term as Secretary.

Governor Chiles' directive to reduce department rules and regulations by 50 percent presents us with a unique opportunity to rethink our overall mission and to reorient our efforts toward less bureaucratic regulation and more common-sense approaches.

No longer can BPR, or for that matter, any state agency, afford to

devote precious staff time and resources to chasing small rule infractions, writing citations and collecting fines. It is a far more cost-effective use of the licensees' dollars to focus on individuals who pose the greatest threat to our citizens' life, safety and health. These are the people who warrant and who will receive our thorough and timely enforcement action.

I look forward to a positive, productive relationship with the Legislature, the professions and businesses we regulate, and the taxpayers who trust us to act in their collective interest.

Sincerely,



Richard T. Farrell, Secretary



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Law sunsets in 1999

By Virginia Daire

In 1994 the Florida legislature repealed Section 472.013(2)(d), Florida Statutes, effective July 1, 1999. This means that a high school education with experience will no longer be sufficient for licensure at that time.

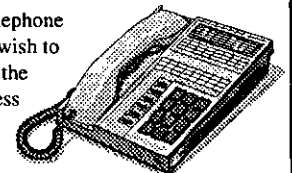
As it currently exists, Section 472.013(2)(d) says that an applicant is eligible for licensure upon completion of high school and eight years of experience under the supervision of a licensed surveyor and mapper. Six of the eight years must be in responsible charge, and the experience itself must have begun before October 1, 1988.

The experience gained before October 1, 1988, does not have to be in responsible charge. Nor do the years of experience have to run consecutively. The application itself, however, should not be submitted until both the high school education and the experience have been completed; but, if the application is submitted after June 30, 1999, it will be insufficient due to the change in the above noted law.

Therefore, any person desiring to be licensed as a surveyor under the provisions of Section 472.013(2)(d) must apply before July 1, 1999, having already met both the education and experience requirements before that time.

BPR is accessible to the hearing impaired through use of the Florida Telephone Relay System. The hearing impaired can communicate with BPR and vice versa.

A hearing impaired person, using TDD equipment, can call the Florida Telephone Relay System at 1-800-955-8771. The caller must know the number they wish to contact. The operator answers the call and remains on the line to interpret the conversation. BPR employees calling a hearing impaired person with access to TDD can call 1-800-955-8770. The operator will contact the number and remain on the line to interpret the call.



Continuing education provider list

List of Board Approved Continuing Education Providers
This list will be updated as additional applications are approved.

Academic Services Corporation

Douglas C. Gilmore
Post Office Box 82251
Tampa, FL 33682-2251
813/987-1350
CEP 001

Computer Science Technology, Inc.

Paul O'Hargan
2973 West SR 434, #200
Longwood, FL 32779
407/682-9925
CEP 002

Florida Surveying & Mapping Society

Jeannie Paugh
1689-A Mahan Center Blvd
Tallahassee, FL 32308
904/942-1900
CEP 003

Land Surveyor's Workshops

John E. Keen
420 Oak Avenue
Spruce Pine, NC 28777
704/765-1717
CEP 004

National Business Institute, Inc.

Jo Frenette
3712 Spooner Avenue
Altoona, WI 54720
715/835-8525
CEP 005

F&L Florida Continuing Education

Floyd C. Smith
2085 Siesta Drive
Sarasota, FL 34239
813/366-2240
CEP 006

Advanced Surveying Technology, Inc.

Cesar H. Bradham
815 Eyrie Drive, Suite 4
Oviedo, FL 32765
407/365-1595
CEP 007

aga Computer Sciences, Inc.

Matthews Mathai
410 Ware Boulevard, Suite 030
Tampa, FL 33619-4439
813/620-1444
CEP 008

LSS Seminar & Publishing Company

T. S. Madson, II
Post Office Box 13158
Gainesville, FL 32604
904/377-9310
CEP 009

Florida Chamber of Commerce

Colleen Barton
Post Office Box 1857
Tallahassee, FL 32301
904/681-2550
CEP 010

Hillsborough Land Survey & Mapping Scholarship Fun, Inc.

Robert S. Weston
3118 Kensington Avenue
Tampa, FL 33629
813/272-5912
CEP 011

Steensland Center for Professional Development

John Steensland
Post Office Box 5509
Dothan, AL 36302-5509
205/794-8636
CEP 012

CADD Centers of Florida

David Kupsick
2003 Cypress Creek Road
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309
305/775-7300
CEP 013

Georgia Center for Continuing Education

Richard C. Field
University of Georgia
Athens, GA 30602-3603
706/542-6639
CEP 014

Valencia Community College

Shannon L. Hellard
Post Office Box 3028
Orlando, FL 32802
407/299-5000
CEP 015

University of Florida

David W. Gibson
345 Weil Hall
Gainesville, FL 32611
904/392-9492
CEP 016

Florida A&M University

Jeffrey G. Carlen
Post Office Box 164
Tallahassee, FL 32307
904/599-3506
CEP 017

Grandfather provision

Surveyors and Mappers	LS 0005399	LS 0005406	LS 0005413
Licensed Under the Grandfather Provision	Carlos Vidal, Jr.	Richard Robert Connors	Larry Edward Towles
LS 0005384	LS 0005400	LS 0005407	LS 0005414
Charles Woodward	Joseph Thomas Mahaz	James F. Sheriff	Barry D. Bosworth
LS 0005394	LS 0005401	LS 0005408	LS 0005415
C. M. Vidal	Charles David Watts	Joseph Preston Ricke	Durwood Strickland
LS 0005395	LS 0005402	LS 0005409	LS 0005416
John Francis Kennefick	Joseph Bilu	Theodore L. Harris Jr.	Isaac Fredrick Rooks, Jr.
LS 0005396	LS 0005403	LS 0005410	LS 0005417
Elena Dima	Louie Gene Bush	Zoila E. Vidal	Dean Thomas Epling
LS 0005397	LS 0005404	LS 0005411	LS 0005418
James Ellsworth Pahel	Jeffry Allen Bean	Norman Bruce Millichamp	R. Steven Denney
LS 0005398	LS 0005405	LS 0005412	
Jon Stanton Beazley, Sr.	John Robert Banta	Huey Pierce Brantley, Jr.	

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Grandfather

LS 0005419
Steven George Kuda
LS 0005420
Norman James Stuck
LS 0005421
Wallie L. Swain
LS 0005422
Brian A. Wegner
LS 0005423
Frederick John Halfen
LS 0005424
Kenneth Houston Howard, III
LS 0005425
John Hugh Matthews, Jr.
LS 0005429
Edward C. Beute
LS 0005431
Keith S. Patterson

LS 0005432
Gerhard Sehnalek
LS 0005433
Mark William Detrick
LS 0005434
Eugene Ronald Benware
LS 0005436
Kerry D. Brown
LS 0005437
John W. Antalovich, Sr.
LS 0005438
Savo Slijepcevic
LS 0005439
Stephen Phillips Kilmon
LS 0005440
T. Jeffrey Young
LS 0005441
Wayland McCoy Mayo
LS 0005451
Tova Bilu

LS 0005453
James H. Humphrey
LS 0005459
Michael Kevin Mears
LS 0005460
Scott Kevin Antalovich
LS 0005461
Robert Paul Evan's
LS 0005462
Robert Francis Brinkman
LS 0005463
John W. Antalovich, Jr.
LS 0005464
Rex Wayne Cowden
LS 0005466
Donald Lee Summey
LS 0005467
Keith Eversole
LS 0005470
James A. Living

LS 0005473
Richard R. Hudson
LS 0005474
Rodger Dale Phelps
LS 0005476
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LS 0005477
H. Cornell Clapp
LS 0005481
Isaac Fredrick Rooks
LS 0005482
Steven Lewis Swenson
LS 0005483
Jerry D. Greeno
LS 0005484
Scot Earle Smith
LS 0005485
Stephen Louis Howard

General information

AhHoc committee established

The Chair has established an AdHoc Committee on GIS and GPS. The committee will study the impact of GIS and GPS on the practice of surveying and mapping. The committee members are David Gibson, Chair, Gene Stoner, Gail Oliver and Charles Woodward. The committee has not announced it's scheduled meeting dates at this time.

Election of Officers

The Board of Professional Surveyors and Mappers held elections at the March 1995 board meeting. Maggie Weidener was elected Chair and Eugene Stoner was elected as Vice-Chair for the year of 1995.

Stats

Active Surveyors & Mappers	2345
Inactive Surveyors & Mappers	436
Active Businesses	746
Inactive Businesses	202
Licensed under Savings Clause	64

Disclosure of social security

The last cycle of renewal application forms requested your social security number. Under the Federal Privacy Act, disclosure of your social security number is voluntary.

The number is requested pursuant to sections 455.203(9), 409.2577, and 409.2598, Florida Statutes. Social security numbers will be provided to a Title IV- D child support agency screening

to assure compliance with support obligations.

If you do not wish the department to have your social security number, notify the board office of your request and the number will be purged from your records.

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does not require field measurements, such as a revision due to a drafting error, or the addition of an entity that the survey is to be certified to or any revision requested not used to circumvent the standards, then the survey drawing can be amended with

a note placed thereon reflecting the revision made, while clearly not implying that the survey has been updated, recertified, or resurveyed. The board's intent is that all surveys released, regardless of what title is applied to each, is that the intent of the standards

are followed and that in no way should there be an attempt to circumvent the standards by merely applying a phrase or a definition that tends to imply that the survey is in compliance with the standards, when in reality it is not.

Disciplinary News

The Board has taken disciplinary action concerning the following licensees. This listing may not reflect a change occurring near or following the publication date. Before making any decisions based upon this information, check with the board office to ensure accuracy. Further, the listing does not reflect pending appeals or requests for a hearing. Each order is listed as follows with the name, charges and action taken.

Gary Burden - License # LS 0003691, DBPR Case #92-01853 - Failed to follow minimum technical standards for surveying. Action: an administrative fine of \$1,000 to be paid in five monthly payments of \$200. Respondent shall be placed on probation for a period of two years. Respondent is to complete a Minimum Technical Standards course within six months of the filing of the order, and verification of completing said course within seven days of same. Respondent is to submit signed and sealed surveys for board review. Said surveys are to be completed after completion of the Minimum Technical Standards course and submitted within 30 days of Respondent's submission of verification of course completed.

Robert W. Makemson - License # LS0001534, DBPR Case #94-08006 - The respondent violated Section 472.033(1)(h), Florida Statutes, by violating a lawful order of the board. Action: License revoked, revocation stayed to allow respondent an opportunity to avoid revocation by remitting a fine of \$1,000 within 30 days of the date on

which the order was issued. If the fine of \$1,000 is not received by the board office on or before the 30th day after the date on which the order was issued, the stay shall be lifted.

Ralph G. Purvis - License # LS 0001955, DBPR Case #93-13429 - The respondent violated Section 472.033(1)(i), Florida Statutes, by practicing on a suspended license. Action: Due to mitigating circumstances the Respondent received a reprimand. Licensee remains suspended under previous order.

Richard Yarb - License # LS 0003415, DBPR Case #90-16461/91-05599 - The two cases were combined. The respondent is in violation of Section 472.033(1)(g), Florida Statutes, by being negligent in the practice of surveying by violating Rule 21-HH6.003, Florida Administrative Code, as defined in Rule 21-HH2.001(3), Florida Administrative Code. Action: License suspended, suspension stayed to allow for probation and an administrative fine of \$2,000 to be received within 30 days of the filing of the order. Respondent is to complete a Minimum Technical Standards course within six months of the filing and

verification of completing said course within seven days of same. Respondent shall submit signed and sealed surveys, full-sized record plats, and field notes for board review. Said surveys are to be completed after completion of the Minimum Technical Standards course and submitted within 30 days of Respondent's submission of verification of course.

LICENSES RECENTLY RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING

The licenses of the following have been restored to good standing:

Aliff, William
Molica, Phillip

LICENSES SUSPENDED BY THE BOARD

The licenses of the following have been suspended by the Board as a result of disciplinary actions and/or violations of the terms of the final order:

Carmellia, William
Coffell, Laythel
Cool, Eugene

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CHPA: Smart choice for small business

More than 8,000 small businesses across Florida are saving money on their employee health insurance through Florida's 11 Community Health Purchasing Alliances (CHPAs). These "chippas" are the backbone of Governor Chiles' landmark 1993 health care legislation that has been hailed as a national model.

The CHPA concept is simple: pool the purchasing power of self-employed people and businesses with fewer than 50 employees to get the same kind of clout that large businesses have when shopping for health insurance. With CHPA, you can't be refused coverage, nor can you be cancelled because of an illness or change in health status. Rates may be based only on age, sex, county of residence, tobacco use and number of dependents.

Florida's completely voluntary, business-friendly program relies on

market forces, not government regulation to drive down costs while maintaining high quality. Each CHPA is a private, non-profit corporation directed by local business people.

"CHPAs are all about choice," according to Terry McCorvie, Executive Director of the four-county Orlando

CHPA. "There are 41 private insurers statewide offering the full range of plans and coverage options — everything from an HMO to standard indemnity packages." Instead of one-size-fits-all coverage, a business of, say, ten people could choose ten different health plans, each matched to the individual needs of the employee. The employer writes just one check. "That can't be done outside the CHPA,"

McCorvie said.

In addition to the increased choice and lower cost, CHPA members receive valuable Consumer Reports-style buying information that compares the price, providers and performance of each plan. This "track record" information helps business owners shop smarter and

With CHPA, you can't be refused coverage, nor can you be cancelled because of an illness or change in health status.

provides the insurers with a positive incentive to remain competitive.

If you are interested in learning more about how

CHPA can benefit your business, call your insurance agent or the toll-free CHPA line at 1-800-4MY-CHPA (469-2472). Over 36,000 Floridians, about half of whom were previously uninsured, now have the peace of mind that comes from having full coverage.

