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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Hello Fellow Surveyors,

By now, you have created your account, checked your CEU's and paid your license renewal for the biennium ending February 28, 2013. If you have not renewed yet, you are REAL late.

Hopefully, all had a pleasant interaction with the new system and staff during the renewal period. We are bound by many constraints of the Department and the State as far as how we do business, but if you still have questions or concerns, please contact us so we can aid in getting them resolved for you.

During this tough economic period, we must all be aware of the requirements for surveying in Florida. There are many people out there that do not understand what we do, how we collect data, or how to present it. Plus, there are many people and businesses with equipment and no license, doing survey work. Numerous contracts are awarded to the lowest bidder without a credentials check. Please be aware that the Commissioner's office is dealing with unlicensed activity quickly. Help us protect the citizens of Florida and report unlicensed activity as it hurts us all.

On our new and improved website www.800helpfla.com/psm, you can now find surveyors by firm name, firm LB number, licensee number, or licensee name. Also, there are links to past discipline, suspended licenses, declaratory statements and how to file a complaint. Finally, there are links to the current laws and rules (Chapters 177, and 472, Florida Statutes, and Rule 5J-17, Florida Administrative Code) we all practice under. I encourage you to use the tools provided and always do the best job possible for your client – it makes them return clients.

Finally, our next public meeting will be August 10 and 11 at the World Golf Village in St Augustine. Attend the meeting and see how your regulatory board functions and the matters that we deal with in this profession.

Arthur Mastronicola, Jr.
 Board Chair

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Board Appointments

Are you or someone you know interested in serving on the Board?

Interested applicants, including consumer members, may obtain an appointment questionnaire by visiting our website at www.800helpfla.com/psm.

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HOW **PRECISE** ARE YOU? HOW **ACCURATE** ARE YOU? WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE?

By Arthur Mastronicola, Jr.

Surveyors are known to be expert measurers. Indeed, surveyors must be exact measurers to meet professional standards. I submit to you that the precision we now can obtain with today's tools can be a detriment to the surveyor in fulfilling their professional responsibilities.

Historically, surveying has been viewed as part art form and part science. Surveying in this country began with intelligent and experienced individuals with little formal training using simple tools. Despite these perceived disadvantages, their work is often still relied upon. At the time of the American Revolution, surveyors practiced their craft with compass and chain. Later, we began to use transit and tape. Improvements followed and the industry used transit and EDM, then total stations were used widely. Today, GPS, LIDAR, and Laser Scanning are the latest futuristic tools used to practice an ancient and respected craft. Younger surveyors are likely to be college educated professionals using sophisticated computerized machines. Our profession has changed quite a bit in a very short time.

With these innovations, calculations have remained the same, but the method to make those measurements has improved from pad and paper to slide rule to calculators to high powered computers using CoGo functions that calculate to 16 or more decimal places. Ideally, the only improvement realized from using these new tools is the time savings realized by avoiding calculations by hand.

However, as a practical matter, we all know that a one hundred (100) by one hundred and fifty (150) foot lot staked in the 1950's by the platting surveyor can be more precisely measured than ever before. Imagine that the irons found representing that lot are recovered and appear to be old enough to be the original irons. They are 1" IP's without identification. What follows can be a familiar story in some parts of Florida ...

- ◆ Surveyor A measures that 100 foot distance with his GPS to be 100.17 feet, and since it's not 100 feet, he sets a second iron with his LS number
- Surveyor B measures that same line with his Laser Scanner and says it is 99.89 feet. And guess what, he sets another iron with his LS number
- ◆ Surveyor C finds the irons using a total station. He is satisfied that the 100 foot distance is correct, but decides that the corners are not on line. As a result, he sets another iron with his LS number, but the crew mutilates the cap while setting the corner and you cannot read the LS number.

Thus is born the "CORNER PINCUSHION." We are setting more boundary corners today than in years past. Why? Are we really that much more accurate than our predecessors? In each example above, the surveyor was attempting to be extremely precise, but have we done our client any professional service? How accurately have we determined the location of the real property described?

- ◆ 5J 17.052(2)(a)1., F.A.C., states, "The surveyor and mapper shall make a determination of the position of the boundary of real property in complete accord with the real property description."
- 5J 17.052(2)(a)3., F.A.C., states, "Any discrepancies between the survey map and the real property description must be shown."
- ◆ 5J 17.052(2)(b)1., F.A.C., states, "The surveyor and mapper shall set monuments as defined herein, unless monuments already exist or cannot be set due to physical obstructions."

Many readers of this column may protest "Tools make us faster! Tools help me stay profitable!" Does faster makes us cheaper? Does faster make us better? When shopping for a brain surgeon, do you hire the fastest, cheapest one? No, you hire the physician that has the expertise required for the task at hand.

It is my opinion that professional surveyors should return to the practice of delivering the expert opinions that we are hired for by our client. We need to continue to be precise in our measurements, but improve our accuracy. As I have reminded my own staff when discovering the errors of others, "A precise figure staked on a wrong parcel is not accurate – it's wrong."

I believe that technology has made us extremely precise, but by being so precise, we have lost the art form of surveying. Our Minimum Technical Standards are a guide of the minimum acceptable level of competence, but it is not the "cookbook" of surveying. We have truly become expert measurers strictly by employing the latest technology. But, we have lost the art of surveying. Our work does not begin and end with precise measurements. It is just a point of beginning. Our work concludes when we have used our

decision making ability and experience to deliver an accurate work product to our clients. Accuracy and precision are both important and are both necessary in our profession. Tools of precision cannot replace the accuracy demanded by the profession.

The practitioner that maintains current precision and increases accuracy provides exceptional service to their clients and protects the public interest. It was this goal that called many of us to the profession. Periodically reviewing our work with these goals in mind will enhance the profession as the tools change in the future yet again.

Arthur Mastronicola, Jr. currently serves as the Chair of the Florida Board of Professional Surveyors and Mappers. Mr. Mastronicola is the recipient of numerous professional honors and awards, including serving as President of the Florida Surveying and Mapping Society, Inc.

The opinions expressed in this column are not intended to convey the opinions of the Board or the Department.

WEBSITE I hope many of you have utilized our website to help you in your practice and in your dealings with the Board office. I want to let you know about some of the things you can find on the Board's site.

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
LEON M. BIEGALSKI

CREATE AN ACCOUNT It is not too late to create your online account. Your online account is a valuable tool that you can use for more than just renewing your license. You can also change your contact information, request a duplicate license, request licensure verification for another state, and check your continuing education credits.

In order to create an online account, you will need the following information:

Individuals (LS):

- License number
- Date of Birth
- Last five digits of your social security number

Businesses (LB):

- License number
- FEIN/PIN

Visit the Board's website at www.800helpfla.com/psm. Once there, click on the "Online Services" link which will take you through the steps of creating your account. This will be different than any account created while the Board was located at the Department of Business and Professional Regulation. The change in agencies necessitated a change in web portal functions.

ACCESS MTS HISTORY Curious about old versions of MTS? One of the Board's webpages contains a chart with the effective dates of the various MTS rules. The chart also contains a link to a .pdf of the rule. Simply click on the underlined rule number in the chart. We hope this helps you with research. The MTS page can be found at www.800helpfla.com/psm/mts.html.

VIEW CITATIONS Now just like with the Board's previous Final Orders you can view citations. We have added copies of the citations that have become Final Orders. The Citations can be found at www.800helpfla.com/psm/citations.html

CONTINUING EDUCATION Just because we have recently concluded the renewal period does not mean it is not time to take continuing education courses. Taking courses over the span of the biennium will help keep you up to date and will alleviate the need to take them all at once just in time to renew. Remember that in order to renew, your course requirements must be met prior to renewal, even if you are changing to "Inactive" at the time of renewal.

Additionally, if you are submitting university course work (transcripts) to the Board office for credit, please be sure to email us at psm@freshfromflorida.com and let us know to expect the transcript. Also, please let us know the courses that you are requesting credit. Without guidance from you, credit may not be awarded.



INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

LARRY WRIGHT was appointed to the Board July 12, 2010, to finish the term of a member who resigned. He is a consumer member. Mr. Wright is subsequently serving his own term, which expires October 31, 2014.

Mr. Wright was born in Indiana but has been a Florida resident for the past 41 years. Having a background in Accounting and Administration, he owned and operated a private accounting and financial consulting practice in Central Florida until 1978 when he moved to Tallahassee to work in governmental accounting and budgeting.

He worked for six years for the Department of General Services; then for eight years for the Department of Environmental Regulation where he served as the Chief Financial Officer (CFO). For 18 years, until his retirement on March 1, 2010, Mr. Wright worked for the Northwest Florida Water Management District as the Director of Administration, the Chief Financial Officer, and second-in-command as the water management district's Deputy Executive Director, where he oversaw the activities of the Land Management and Acquisition Division and the Divisions of Administration, Resource Regulation, and Resource Management.

Mr. Wright has extensive experience and expertise in the fields of governmental accounting and auditing, budgeting, financial reporting, and legislative affairs.

ROBIN B. PETZOLD was appointed to the Board effective November 1, 2010, to succeed Louis Lebron who completed two terms. Mr. Petzold's term expires October 31, 2014.

Mr. Petzold was born and raised in northwestern New Jersey and after completing his bachelor's degree in 1976, he moved to Florida in the spring of 1977. Mr. Petzold currently holds degrees in Business Accounting, Land Surveying, and Animal Husbandry. He began surveying in 1981 while attending then Palm Beach Junior College, which later became Palm Beach Community College, to secure a degree in Land Surveying. In addition to attending school and working full time, he also served as an adjunct faculty instructor in the surveying program for 12 years, teaching basic surveying, route geometrics, and measurement science. Additionally, he served on the Palm Beach Community College Land Surveying Advisory Committee from 1982 to 1989. In 1997, Mr. Petzold began teaching seminars on electronic data collection and state plane coordinates for the late Paul O'Hargan throughout the southeastern United States, and continued teaching seminars until 2005.

Mr. Petzold worked the beginning of his career for Meridian Surveying and Mapping in West Palm Beach, which was later acquired by Stanley Consultants, Inc. (SCI), an international engineering firm based in Muscatine, Iowa. He stayed with SCI for a total of 14 years, which included a transfer to the Midwest for three years. During that time, he gained experience working on both domestic and overseas assignments.

When he came back to Florida in 1994, he took a position as Director

Upcoming Board Meetings

All meeting dates and locations
are subject to change.

August 9 -11, 2011

St. Augustine, FL

The Renaissance Resort
at World Golf Village
500 South Legacy Trail
St. Augustine, Florida 32092

November 8 – 10, 2011

Orlando, FL

Hilton Garden Inn
5877 American Way
Orlando, Florida 32819

of Survey for Mock Roos & Associates in West Palm Beach and eventually started Petzold & Associates in the spring of 2000. Petzold & Associates merged with Wantman Group Inc. in October 2000 and he currently serves as a Partner and senior vice president with the firm.

Today, the firm specializes in a variety of technical arenas including Conventional Surveying, Global Positioning, High

Definition Laser Scanning, Hydrographic Surveying, Ground Penetrating Radar, Electronic Utility Detection, and non-intrusive sub-surface utility excavation.

Mr. Petzold holds active surveying licenses in Florida, Iowa, and Wisconsin.

W. LAMAR EVERS, PSM was appointed to the Board October 13, 2010 to the term, which began November 1, 2009, filling the position previously occupied by Jeff Cooner. Mr. Evers' term expires October 31, 2013.

Mr. Evers graduated Naples High School in 1966 and has some college level courses at Edison Community College, Tallahassee Community College, and Georgia Middle College as well as numerous state and national surveying workshops.

He began his surveying career in 1966 and received licensure as a Professional Land Surveyor in Florida in 1978. He has served as a county surveyor and owned and operated his own firm for 11 years. He is currently employed by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Division of State Lands, Bureau of Survey and Mapping as the Mean High Water (MHW) and Land Boundary Information System (LABINS) Program Manager.

Mr. Evers is a Life Member of the Florida Surveying and Mapping Society (FSMS), American Association for Geodetic Surveying, and a Fellow Member of the National Society of Professional Surveyors (NSPS). He has served as Vice President, President-Elect, President, Immediate Past President, and FSMS District One Director. As the NSPS Governor for FSMS, he served as Secretary and Chairman of the NSPS Board of Governors and the NSPS Area 4 Director. He also has served on the Department of Natural Resources Public Land Survey Advisory Board, Edison Community College Technical Advisory Committee, and the Troy University Geomatics Advisory Board.

He was recognized as the FSMS Surveyor of the Year in 1988 and 1990.

He is licensed as a Professional Land Surveyor in Alabama, Florida, Mississippi, and North Carolina.

He has been married to his wife, Marilyn for 41 years and they have two children, Melanie and Justin, and three grandchildren. He enjoys hunting, fishing, wildlife management, and reading.

GARY B. KRICK, PSM was appointed to the Board June 7, 2011, to the term, which began November 1, 2010, filling the position previously occupied by Mary Hanna Clodfelter. Mr. Krick's term expires October 31, 2014.

Mr. Krick serves as the President of Southeastern Surveying and Mapping Corporation, a non-traditional Surveying and Mapping firm with multiple Florida office locations.

A native of Pennsylvania, Mr. Krick attended Surveying Classes at Valencia Community College in Orlando and completed an ICS Surveying Course early in his career. Mr. Krick obtained his Florida Land Surveyors License in 1986 and has been active in the Florida Surveying and Mapping Society since 1986. Mr. Krick has served as a Director for the Great Central Florida Chapter for multiple terms.

Mr. Krick was the recipient of the Surveyor of the Year Award from the Great Central Florida Chapter in 1998 and 2002.

Mr. Krick is also a longtime member of the National Society of Professional Surveyors and the American Congress of Surveying and Mapping.

EXAMINATIONS

Beginning with the April 2010 examination, the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) began administering the Principles and Practice Examination, the Fundamentals Examination, and the Florida Jurisdictional Multiple Choice Examination. As a result beginning with the April 2010 examination, candidates began paying testing fees directly to NCEES **AFTER** Florida Board approval to take the examination.

Upcoming Examination

October 28 - 29, 2011
Orange County Convention Center
9800 International Drive
Orlando, Florida 32819

The **re-examination application deadline** is **August 9, 2011**. The re-examination application must be filed with the Board Office and deemed complete (have no deficiencies) by August 9, 2011.

*The national parts of the examination
are administered on Friday and Saturday;
the Florida multiple choice portion is
administered on Friday.*

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

The Board of Professional Surveyors and Mappers has taken disciplinary action against the following licensees. Although every effort has been made to ensure that this information is correct, check with the Board Office before making any specific decision based upon this information. This listing may not reflect disciplinary actions occurring near or following the publication date. Further, this listing does not reflect pending appeals or requests for re-hearing. Each order listed as follows, with the name, the case number, the license number, the violated section of the Florida Statutes, and the penalty.

 BOARD ORDERS

 VOLUNTARY RELINQUISHMENTS IN LIEU OF DISCIPLINE

 CITATIONS

If you would like to report a violation of Chapter 472, Florida Statutes, or Rule 5J-17, Florida Administrative Code or to report unlicensed activity, visit our website at www.800helpfla.com/psm.

Timothy Coil - LS5467

Case# 2009-006363, Final Order Filed: September 15, 2010

Administrative Complaint: Counts I through VIII - violations of Section 472.033(1)(h), Florida Statutes, through a violation of the Minimum Technical Standards provided in Rule 61G17-6, Florida Administrative Code; and Count IX - violation of Section 472.033(1)(g), Florida Statutes, by negligently preparing a survey.

Terms of Final Order: Fine of \$1,750.00 to be paid within 30 days of entry of the final order; costs of \$706.25 to be paid within 30 days of entry of the final order; complete a MTS course within 90 days from the entry of the final order; provide proof of insurance within 30 days from the entry of the final order; submit a list of surveys for review within 120 days from the completion of all continuing education required by the Board for Probation Committee review; and dismissal of Counts VI and VIII.

TMC Surveying, Inc. - LB7028

Case# 2009-010222, Final Order Filed: September 15, 2010

Administrative Complaint: Counts I through VIII - violations of Section 472.033(1)(h), Florida Statutes, through a violation of the Minimum Technical Standards provided in Rule 61G17-6, Florida Administrative Code; and Count IX - violation of Section 472.033(1)(g), Florida Statutes, by negligently preparing a survey.

Terms of Final Order: Fine of \$1,750.00 to be paid within 30 days of entry of the final order; costs of \$720.31 to be paid within 30 days of entry of the final order; and Dismissal of Counts VI and VIII.

Mark W. Evans - LS5969

Case# 2009-039964, Final Order Filed: September 15, 2010

Administrative Complaint: Counts I through V - violations of Section 472.033(1)(h), Florida Statutes, through a violation of the Minimum Technical Standards provided in Rule 61G17-6, Florida Administrative Code; and Count VI - violation of Section 472.033(1)(g), Florida Statutes, by negligently preparing a survey.

Terms of Final Order: Fine of \$1,500.00 to be paid within 30 days of entry of the final order; costs of \$450.00 to be paid within 30 days of entry of the final order; complete a MTS course within 90 days from the entry of the final order; provide proof of insurance within 30 days from the entry of the final order; and, submit a list of surveys for review within 120 days from the completion of all continuing education required by the Board for Probation Committee review.

Mark W. Evans & Associates, Inc. - LB6775

Case# 2009-040161, Final Order Filed: September 15, 2010

Administrative Complaint: Counts I through V - violations of Section 472.033(1)(h), Florida Statutes, through a violation of the Minimum Technical Standards provided in Rule 61G17-6, Florida Administrative Code; and Count VI - violation of Section 472.033(1)(g), Florida Statutes, by negligently preparing a survey.

Terms of Final Order: Fine of \$1,500.00 to be paid within 30 days of entry of the final order; and costs of \$450.00 to be paid within 30 days of entry of the final order.

Daniel Gillingham - LS5771

Case # 2009-045607, Final Order Filed: December 2, 2010

Administrative Complaint: Counts I through VII - violations of Section 472.033(1)(h), Florida Statutes, through a violation of the Minimum Technical Standards provided in Rule 61G17-6, Florida Administrative Code; and Counts VIII and IX - violations of Section 472.033(1)(g), Florida Statutes, by negligently preparing a survey.

Terms of Final Order: Fine of \$2,250.00 to be paid within 90 days of the entry of the Final Order; costs of \$41.69 to be paid within 90 days of the entry of the Final Order;

proof of insurance due within 30 days from the entry of the final order; complete a MTS course within 90 days from the entry of the final order; and, submit a list of surveys for review within 120 days from the entry of the final order.

Edwards-Panter Surveying, Inc. - LB711

Case # 2009-042384, Final Order Filed: December 2, 2010

Administrative Complaint: Counts I through VII - violations of Section 472.033(1)(h), Florida Statutes, through a violation of the Minimum Technical Standards provided in Rule 61G17-6, Florida Administrative Code; and Count IX and X - violations of Section 472.033(1)(g), Florida Statutes, by negligently preparing a survey.

Terms of Final Order: Voluntary Relinquishment

Gary Salzman - LS6443

Case # 2009-036193, Final Order Filed: December 2, 2010

Administrative Complaint: Counts I, II, and VI - violations of Section 472.033(1)(h) Florida Statutes, through a violation of Rule 61G17-2.001(6)(j), Florida Administrative Code, by engaging in dishonest business practices; Counts III, IX, XII, XV, XVIII, XXI, XXIV, and XXVII - violations of Section 472.033(1)(h), Florida Statutes, through a violation of Rule 61G17-2.001(6)(b), Florida Administrative Code, by executing a survey with misleading information; Counts IV, VII, X, XIII, XVI, XIX, XXII, XXV, and XXVIII - violations of Section 472.033(1)(h), Florida Statutes, through a violation of Rules 61G17-2.001(3) and 6.003(3)(b)2., Florida Administrative Code, by executing a survey incorrectly indicating the firm name and license number; and Counts V, VIII, XI, XIV, XVII, XX, XXIII, XXVI, and XXIX - violations of Section 472.033(1)(g), Florida Statutes, by negligently preparing a survey.

Terms of Final Order: Fine of \$12,125.00 to be paid within 90 days of the entry of the Final Order; proof of insurance due within 30 days from the entry of the final order; complete an Ethics course within 120 days from the entry of the final order; and, submit a list of surveys for review due within 120 days from the entry of the final order

Environmental Land Services, Inc. - LB5986

Case# 2009-031657, Final Order Filed: December 9, 2010

Administrative Complaint: Counts I through VII - violations of Section 472.033(1)(h), Florida Statutes, through a violation of the Minimum Technical Standards provided in Rule 61G17-6, Florida Administrative Code; and Count VIII - violation of Section 472.033(1)(g), Florida Statutes, by negligently preparing the survey.

Terms of Final Order: Fine of \$2,000.00 to be paid within 90 days of the entry of the Final Order and costs of \$180.00 to be paid within 90 days of the entry of the Final Order

Address and Change Requirements

Remember Section 472.0204, Florida Statutes, requires each licensee to be solely responsible for notifying the department in writing of the licensee's current mailing address. A failure to notify the department of a change in address may result in disciplinary action against the licensee.

Additionally, pursuant to Section 472.021(4), Florida Statutes, and Rule 5J-17.063(9), Florida Administrative Code, business entities shall notify the Board within one (1) month of any changes in the business entity's location of offices, its licensed surveyors and mappers in residence, and the names of its principals, along with proof to demonstrate the change in principals.

Christopher Kirk Brown - LB6463

Case # 2008-038978 & 1007-26912, Final Order Filed: March 3, 2011

Administrative Complaint (1007-29612): Count I – violation of Section 472.033(1)(h), Florida Statutes, through a violation Section 472.021(1), Florida Statutes, by failing to obtain the required certificate of authorization for Brown Gritton and Associates, LLC; and, Count II – violation of Section 472.033(1)(g), Florida Statutes, through a violation of Rule 61G17-2.001(6), Florida Administrative Code, by allowing an unlicensed person to retain custody of Respondent's seal and to sign maps prepared or issued under the supervision of Respondent.

Administrative Complaint (2008-03978): Count I – violation of Section 472.0351(1)(h), Florida Statutes, through a violation of Section 472.021(1), Florida Statutes, by failing to obtain the proper certificate of authorization for Advantage Surveying.

Terms of Final Order: Fine of \$1,500.00 to be paid within 30 days of the entry of the Final Order; costs of \$210.99 to be paid within 30 days of the entry of the Final Order; and Cease and Desist from practicing under any unauthorized business name (the Settlement Stipulation adopted by the Final Order already contained a Certification of Compliance with this term).

J. Sherman Frier - LS2445

Case# 2008-28699, Final Order Filed: March 4, 2011

Administrative Complaint: Counts I through V - violations of Section 472.033(1)(h), Florida Statutes, through a violation of the Minimum Technical Standards provided in Rule 61G17-6, Florida Administrative Code; and Count VI – violation of Section 472.033(1)(g), Florida Statutes, by negligently preparing the survey.

Terms of Final Order: Fine of \$3,000.00 to be paid within 30 days of the entry of the Final Order; costs of \$333.21 to be paid within 30 days of the entry of the Final Order; proof of insurance due within 30 days from the entry of the final order; complete a MTS course within 90 days from the entry of the final order; and, submit a list of surveys for review within 120 days from the completion of the MTS course.

John William Walker - LS5362

Case #2009-064930, Final Order Filed: May 24, 2011

Administrative Complaint: Counts I through XI - violations of Section 472.033(1)(h), Florida Statutes, through a violation of the Minimum Technical Standards provided in Rule 61G17-6, Florida Administrative Code; and Count XII – violation of Section 472.033(1)(g), Florida Statutes, by negligently preparing the survey.

Terms of Final Order: Fine of \$3,000.00 to be paid within 30 days of the entry of the Final Order; and, costs of \$315.00 to be paid within 30 days of the entry of the Final Order.

Grusenmeyer-Scott-Walker - LB6710

Case #2009-064978, Final Order Filed: May 24, 2011

Administrative Complaint: Counts I through XI - violations of Section 472.033(1)(h), Florida Statutes, through a violation of the Minimum Technical Standards provided in Rule 61G17-6, Florida Administrative Code; and Count XII – violation of Section 472.033(1)(g), Florida Statutes, by negligently preparing the survey.

Terms of Final Order: Fine of \$3,000.00 to be paid within 30 days of the entry of the Final Order; and, costs of \$315.00 to be paid within 30 days of the entry of the Final Order.

American Surveying & Mapping, Inc. - LB6393

Case #1008-27219, Final Order Filed: May 24, 2011

Administrative Complaint: Counts I through IV - violations of Section 472.033(1)(h), Florida Statutes, through a violation of the Minimum Technical Standards provided in Rule 61G17-6, Florida Administrative Code; and, Count V – violation of Section 472.033(1)(g), Florida Statutes, by negligently preparing the survey.

Terms of Final Order: Fine of \$1,500.00 to be paid within 30 days of the entry of the Final Order; and, costs of \$420.00 to be paid within 30 days of the entry of the Final Order.

Lawrence Paul Frank - LS4619

Case #2009-027797, Final Order Filed: May 24, 2011

Administrative Complaint: Counts I through XII - violations of Section 472.033(1)(h), Florida Statutes, through a violation of the Minimum Technical Standards provided in Rule 61G17-6, Florida Administrative Code; Count XIII – violation of Rule 61G17-2.001(4) through a violation of Section 177.37, Florida Statutes, by failing to file the 2005 survey with the Department of Environmental Protection within 90 days after completing the 2005 survey; and, Count XIV – violation of Section 472.033(1)(g), Florida Statutes, by negligently preparing the survey.

Terms of Final Order: Fine of \$3,500.00 to be paid within 90 days of the entry of the

Final Order; costs of \$472.05 to be paid within 90 days of the entry of the Final Order; proof of insurance due within 30 days from the entry of the final order; complete a MTS course within 90 days from the entry of the final order; and, submit a list of surveys for review within 120 days from the completion of the MTS course.

Robert F. Johnson - LS4028

Case #1007-26703, Final Order Filed: May 24, 2011

Administrative Complaint: Counts I through XI - violations of Section 472.033(1)(h), Florida Statutes, through a violation of the Minimum Technical Standards provided in Rule 61G17-6, Florida Administrative Code; and Count XII – violation of Section 472.033(1)(g), Florida Statutes, by negligently preparing the survey.

Terms of Final Order: Fine of \$3,500.00 to be paid within 90 days of the entry of the Final Order; costs of \$1,135.00 to be paid within 90 days of the entry of the Final Order; proof of insurance due within 30 days from the entry of the final order; complete a MTS course within 90 days from the entry of the final order; and, submit a list of surveys for review within 120 days from the completion of the MTS course.

William N. Kitchen - LS5490

Case #1012-242734

Final Order Filed: May 24, 2011

Terms of Final Order: Voluntary Relinquishment in lieu of discipline

W. Nelson Thaxton - LS4812

Case #1007-24276

Final Order Filed: May 24, 2011

Terms of Final Order: Voluntary Relinquishment in lieu of discipline

Alex Adekola d/b/a Land Surveyors of Florida

Unlicensed, Case #1105-20977

Issued: May 23, 2011, Final Order Filed: June 22, 2011

Citation: Violation of Chapter 472, Florida Statutes, by practicing professional surveying and mapping on without a license.

Penalty: Fine of \$546.22

Ali Gonzales Perez d/b/a Independent Land Surveyors

Unlicensed, Case #1007-26721

Issued: April 20, 2011, Final Order Filed: June 6, 2011

Citation: Violation of Chapter 472, Florida Statutes, by practicing professional surveying and mapping on without a license.

Penalty: Fine of \$1,085.12

Ellery P. Morris d/b/a Morris Surveying and Mapping, Inc.

Unlicensed, Case #1011-43785

Issued: April 13, 2011, Final Order Filed: May 31, 2011

Citation: Violation of Chapter 472, Florida Statutes, by practicing professional surveying and mapping on a revoked, suspended, inactive, or delinquent license.

Penalty: Fine of \$1,038.94

Charles K. McIntosh d/b/a Lighthouse Surveying, Inc.

Unlicensed, Case #1007-25515

Issued: March 16, 2011, Final Order Filed: May 31, 2011

Citation: Violation of Chapter 472, Florida Statutes, by practicing professional surveying and mapping with a delinquent license.

Penalty: Fine of \$1,108.66

Steve Stinson d/b/a Meridian Surveying & Mapping, Inc.

Unlicensed, Case #1007-25195

Issued: August 26, 2010, Final Order Filed: May 6, 2011

Citation: Violation of Section 472.031(1)(a), Florida Statutes, by practicing professional surveying and mapping without a license.

Penalty: Fine of \$1,081.89

Ryan Donoghue d/b/a Donoghue Layout & Design Services

Unlicensed, Case #2009-064736

Issued: February 23, 2011, Final Order Filed: May 3, 2011

Citation: Violation of Section 472.031(1)(a), Florida Statutes, by practicing professional surveying and mapping without a license.

Penalty: Fine of \$811.41

Margie Conner d/b/a The Davey Tree Expert Co.

Unlicensed, Case #2009-041849

Issued: January 26, 2011, Final Order Filed: May 3, 2011

Citation: Violation of Sections 472.031(1)(a) and (b), and 472.036, Florida Statutes, by practicing professional surveying and mapping without a license.

Penalty: Fine of \$1,253.61

Randy Rhoads d/b/a Network Mapping

Unlicensed, Case #1012-48114

Issued: January 11, 2011, Final Order Filed: May 3, 2011

Citation: Violation of Sections 472.031(1)(a) and (b), Florida Statutes, by practicing professional surveying and mapping without a license.

Penalty: Fine of \$1,095.08

Global One Survey, LLC d/b/a Global One Survey

Unlicensed, Case #1007-24432

Issued: August 16, 2010, Final Order Filed: May 3, 2011

Citation: Violation of Section 472.031(1)(a), Florida Statutes, by practicing professional surveying and mapping without a license.

Penalty: Fine of \$1,121.21

Peter Okonkwo d/b/a Spectra Engineering and Research, Inc.

Unlicensed, Case #1007-25263

Issued: October 4, 2010, Final Order Filed: April 29, 2011

Citation: Violation of Chapter 472, Florida Statutes, by practicing professional surveying and mapping without a license.

Penalty: Fine of \$1,124.13

Mohammad B. Far d/b/a Gulfcoast Professional Surveyors

Unlicensed, Case #1007-25279

Issued: December 10, 2010, Final Order Filed: March 10, 2011

Citation: Violation of Section 472.031(1)(a), Florida Statutes, by practicing professional surveying and mapping without a license.

Penalty: Fine of \$1,044.23

Robert Hartley d/b/a On-Line Staking

Unlicensed, Case #1007-24440

Issued: September 2, 2010, Final Order Filed: December 15, 2010

Citation: Violation of Section 472.031(1)(a), Florida Statutes, by practicing professional surveying and mapping without a license.

Penalty: Fine of \$1,175.45

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**FE, FS EXAMS BEGIN TRANSITION
TO COMPUTER-BASED TESTING**

At the August 2010 NCEES annual meeting, the state licensing boards that make up NCEES voted to begin converting the Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) and Fundamentals of Surveying (FS) exams to a computer based format. The decision followed a prolonged study by a task force convened to research the issue. This transition will allow greater scheduling flexibility for examinees, more uniformity in testing conditions, and enhanced security for exam content.

The exams will be delivered through Pearson VUE's owned-and-operated network of Pearson Professional Centers and other select locations as determined by NCEES. Pearson VUE is a global leader in computer-based testing, with the world's most comprehensive and secure network of testing centers across 165 countries. It provides testing services for academic, government, and professional testing programs, including licensure exams for the National Council of State Boards of Nursing and the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy, as well as the GMAT. Pearson VUE is part of Pearson plc, the largest commercial testing company and education publisher in the world.

The NCEES Computer-Based Testing Task Force is developing a comprehensive plan and timetable for the conversion. Currently, the plan is for the FE and FS exams to be offered in a paper-and-pencil format for the last time in October 2013. The computer-based exams will then begin being offered in early 2014. The PE and PS exams, which engineering and surveying candidates are required to take after completing work experience requirements, will continue to be paper-and-pencil exams for the foreseeable future.

Timeline for implementation of computer-based administration of FE and FS exams

June to August 2011

- The FE and FS content reviews will begin; this is the process by which NCEES develops the exam specifications.
- NCEES will review test center locations.

August 2011 to August 2012

- The FE and FS content reviews will be completed.
- The exam item banks will be assessed, and item-writing sessions will be held.
- State licensure boards will review legislative rules and statutes for compliance with computer-based testing.
- New computer-based testing policies will be presented for adoption at the 2012 NCEES annual meeting.

August 2012 to August 2013

- Pools of questions will be developed for the initial administration of the exams in this format.

October 2013

- Paper-and-pencil FE and FS exams will be offered for the last time.

January 2014

- The FE and FS exams will be administered electronically for the first time.

