

# Kansas State Board of Technical Professions

## AGENCY MISSION

The Mission of the Kansas State Board of Technical Professions is to provide maximum protection of the health, safety, property and welfare of the people of Kansas by assuring that the practice of architecture, engineering, geology, landscape architecture and surveying in the state is carried out only by those persons who are proven to be qualified as prescribed by the statutes and rules and regulations of the Board.

## Board Elects New Officers for 2015-2016

The Kansas State Board of Technical Professions elected officers for 2015-2016 at their meeting on July 10, 2015. Steve Brosemer, P.S., was elected Board Chair.

Mr. Brosemer was first appointed to the Board as a Professional Surveyor member in July 2008. He is a graduate of Wichita State University with majors in history and secondary education. Mr. Brosemer has been an owner or partner in his current business, Geotech, Inc., for the past thirty-one years and has provided land surveying services of every possible type to both the private and the public sectors.



Steve Brosemer, P.S., incoming Board Chair, presents former Board Chair, Vince Mancini, Architect, with the Appreciation Award.

The other officers elected were:

- ◆ Vice Chair-Bob Henthorne, P.G.
- ◆ Secretary-Maurice Bowersox, P.E.
- ◆ Chair of ARCH/LA/PG Committee-Wendy Ornelas, Architect
- ◆ Chair of PE/PS Committee-Tim Sloan, P.S.

## Board Appointment & Reappointments July 1, 2015

Robert Henthorne, P.G., and Richard Hayter, P.E., have been reappointed by the Governor to serve four additional years on the Board until June 30, 2019.

Carisa McMullen, L.A., has been appointed by the Governor as the Board's Landscape Architect member to succeed Phil Meyer until June 30, 2019.

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Carisa McMullen, L.A.

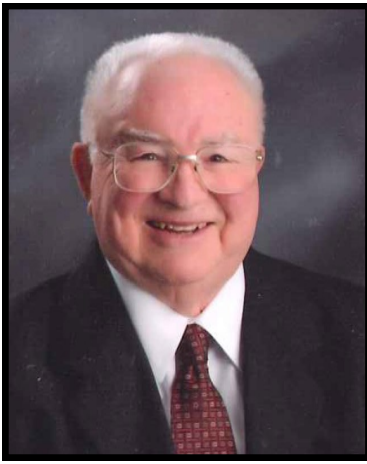


Robert W. Henthorne, P.G.



Richard Hayter, P.E.

## Disciplinary Action Taken by the Board



*Mark L. Bennett, Jr.*  
*Board Attorney*

**Disclaimer:** Every effort has been made to ensure that the following enforcement information is correct; however, this information should not be relied upon without verification from the Kansas board office. 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. Disciplinary orders are public information and copies may be obtained by contacting the board office.

### IN THE MATTER OF STEPHEN D. PETERS

**Summary:** In April 2014 the Kansas State Board of Technical Professions received information that Stephen D. Peters had been convicted of a felony in the State of Kansas. As a result of receiving that information, the Board's Complaint Committee directed one of its investigators to conduct an investigation to determine if the information that it had received was true and correct. That investigation established that the information that the Board had received was accurate.

**Board Action:** This matter was set for a formal hearing before a two member hearing panel. Following the formal hearing the panel determined:

- 1) The respondent, Stephen Peters, was a Kansas licensed architect at the time of his conviction.
- 2) As a result of said conviction Mr. Peters was sentenced to an underlying prison term, which was suspended, and was placed on 36 months of probation.
- 3) As a result of said conviction, the Board determined that it was authorized to revoke respondent's license pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 74-7026. Said license to practice architecture in Kansas was revoked, and Mr. Peters was ordered to surrender his stamp, seal, and wall certificate to the Board forthwith. Additionally, Mr. Peters was ordered to pay a fine in the amount of \$1000.00 and the Board's costs, fees, and expenses totaling \$1,358.85 within 30 days of the date that the final order becomes effective.

**Status:** As of the date of publication of this article, the Board's cost, fees, and expenses have not been paid.

### IN THE MATTER OF VAA, LLC

**Summary:** On December 26, 2013 the Kansas State Board of Technical professions received a report of alleged violation from a Kansas licensed engineer, which indicated that VAA, LLC was involved in a major project that involved significant engineering design. The plans for that project indicated that they were "issued for construction" and were not signed and sealed by a Kansas licensed engineer. Following the receipt of that alleged violation report form, the Board's Complaint Committee assigned the matter to one of its licensed engineering investigators for the purpose of conducting an investigation, and providing an opinion as to whether or not the activity that VAA, LLC was engaged in was in violation of Kansas Statutes governing the practice of technical professions in the State of Kansas. That investigation was conducted and, as a result thereof, the Board's Complaint Committee directed that a formal complaint be filed against VAA, LLC alleging that it had engaged in the unlicensed practice of engineering in the State of Kansas.

**Board Action:** The Board and VAA, LLC resolved this matter by way of a Settlement Agreement and Consent Order. In that Settlement Agreement and Consent Order VAA, LLC admitted that it had held itself out as entitled to practice, has offered to practice, or has practiced the technical profession of engineering in the State of Kansas when it did not hold a certificate of authorization authorizing it to do so. VAA, LLC further agreed to the following:

1) That it would immediately cease and desist from holding itself out as authorized to practice, offering to practice, or practicing engineering in the State of Kansas until such time it has obtained a certificate of authorization authorizing it to do so.

2) VAA, LLC will pay a fine in the amount of \$2000.00, as well as, the Board's expenses and attorney fees in the amount of \$850.00 for a total amount of \$2,850.00.

**Status:** VAA, LLC has paid in full the fine and costs required by the Settlement Agreement and Consent Order, and the case has been closed. VAA, LLC has obtained a KSBTP Certificate of Authorization #E-2448 on Active status until 12/31/2015.

## Professional Engineers, Architects & Professional Geologists Renewal Deadline

**Architects & Professional Geologists** whose last name starts with M-Z expired on 06/30/2015. You may renew for up to 60 days after this date with no penalty. Failure to renew within 60 days results in the cancellation of your license. Renew online now or call the board office for a paper renewal form to keep your license in good standing!

**Professional Engineers** whose last name starts with M-Z expired on 04/30/2015 if they did not renew. Your license will need to be reinstated in order to practice in Kansas. The reinstatement application is available on our website at [www.ksbtp.ks.gov](http://www.ksbtp.ks.gov).

To file a complaint, please see the Alleged Violation Form on our website:

<http://ksbtp.ks.gov/contact-us/complaint>

## Continuing Education Regulation Changes

September 1, 2015 brings a few changes to the Continuing Education Regulations. Listed below are important points to remember.

- A licensee may now use 15 hours of carry over of continuing education credits for the next renewal period. This is a change from previous years that allowed 30 hours of carry over. This applies to Dual Licensees as well.
- Mentoring can no longer be used as a continuing education activity.
- Clarification for the definition for CE now reads: "The activity has a definable purpose and objective **relevant to the licensee's field of practice**".
- The term "land" surveyor has been replaced by "professional" surveyor.

### FAQs Regarding CE

#### Q. What defines a reporting period? Is it a calendar year?

A. The two year reporting period will be listed on the continuing education audit report form that is mailed to you from this office. For example, if the form states your reporting period is June 30, 2015 to June 30, 2017 all of the documents submitted in conjunction with a course must be dated after June 30, 2015 and prior to June 30, 2017.

#### Q. What type of documentation will you accept?

A. We prefer detailed documentation; here are a few examples:

- Certificate of participation signed by the instructor including the date the course was taken and the number of PDH's awarded.
- If attending seminars and no certificate is provided, attendance sheets, course outlines and other types of documentation with detailed proof of attendance will be considered.

## Continuing Education Audit Changes

Beginning September 1, 2015 there is a change to the Continuing Education Audit schedule. In previous years the Audit Packet was mailed out prior to the renewal date; the change effective September 1, 2015 allows the Audit Packet to be mailed (to randomly selected individuals) after the license expiration date. In doing so, this streamlines the process currently in place, allowing us to contact only those individuals who have renewed. In previous years, when randomly selecting individuals we found we were contacting professionals who were planning to retire, going on inactive status, etc.

Forms to record your continuing education are available on the webpage at:

<http://ksbtp.ks.gov/continuing-education/forms>

The full text of the CE regulations are available at:

<http://ksbtp.ks.gov/statutes-rules/ksbtp-statutes-rules-regulations>

See K.A.R. 66-14-1 through 66-14-12

## Professional Ethics

**Professional ethics encompass the personal, organizational and corporate standards of behavior expected of professionals.** When questions regarding professional ethics arise, refer to K.A.R. 66-6-4: Professional conduct.

- For the purposes of this regulation, "licensee" shall mean an architect, a landscape architect, a professional engineer, a professional geologist, or a professional surveyor.
- If any licensee's professional judgment has been disregarded under circumstances in which the safety, health, or welfare of the public is endangered, the licensee shall inform the employer or client of the possible consequences, and the licensee shall notify the authority who issued the building permit or otherwise has jurisdiction.
- The licensee shall not advertise to perform or undertake to perform any assignment involving a specific technical profession unless the licensee is licensed and qualified by education and experience in that technical profession, as defined in K.S.A. 74-7003, and amendments thereto.
- A licensee in any technical profession shall not affix a personal or digital signature, seal, or both to any plan or document dealing with subject matter that is outside of the licensee's field of practice as defined by K.S.A. 74-7003, and amendments thereto.
- If the competence of any licensee to perform an assignment in a specific technical field is at issue, the licensee may be required by the board to pass an appropriate examination.
- In all professional reports, statements, and testimony, each licensee shall meet the following requirements: (1) Be completely objective and truthful; and (2) include all relevant and pertinent information.
- When serving as an expert or technical witness before any court, commission, or other tribunal, each licensee shall express only opinions founded on the following: (1) An adequate knowledge of the facts at issue; (2) a background of technical competence in the subject matter; and (3) an actual, good-faith belief in the accuracy and propriety of the licensee's testimony.
- If a licensee issues any statements, criticisms, or arguments on public policy matters that are inspired or paid for by any interested party or parties, those comments shall be prefaced by and include disclosure of the following: (1) The identity of each party on whose behalf the licensee is speaking; and (2) the existence of any pecuniary interest of the licensee.

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## Professional Ethics (cont'd)

- (a) Each licensee shall disclose all known or potential conflicts of interest to employers or clients by promptly informing them of any business association, interest, or any other circumstances that could influence that licensee's judgment or the quality of the licensee's services.
- (b) A licensee shall not accept compensation, financial or otherwise, from more than one party for services on the same project or for services pertaining to the same project, unless the circumstances are fully disclosed and agreed to by all interested parties.
- (c) A licensee shall not solicit or accept financial or other valuable consideration, directly or indirectly, from either of the following: (1) Material or equipment suppliers for specifying their products; or (2) contractors, their agents, or other parties in connection with work for employers or clients for which the licensee is responsible.
- (d) A licensee shall not solicit a contract from a governmental body on which a principal or officer of the licensee's organization serves as a member, except upon public disclosure of all pertinent facts and circumstances and consent of the appropriate public authority.
- (e) A licensee shall not offer, directly or indirectly, to pay a commission or other consideration or to make a political contribution or other gift in order to secure work, except for payment made to an employment agency for its services.
- (f) In all contacts with prospective or existing clients or employers, each licensee shall accurately represent the licensee's qualifications and the scope of the licensee's responsibility in connection with work for which the licensee is claiming credit.
- (g) A licensee shall not be associated with, or permit the use of the licensee's personal name or firm name in, a business venture being performed by any person or firm that the licensee knows, or has reason to believe, is engaging in either of the following: (1) Business or professional practice of a fraudulent or dishonest nature; or (2) a violation of K.S.A. 74-7001 et seq., and amendments thereto, or the regulations promulgated and adopted by the board, or both.
- (h) Each licensee with knowledge of any alleged violation of K.S.A. 74-7001 et seq., and amendments thereto, or the regulations promulgated and adopted by the board, or both, shall report the alleged violation to the board.
- (i) Each licensee shall cooperate with the board in its investigation of complaints or possible violations of K.S.A. 74-7001 et seq., and amendments thereto, and the regulations of the board. This cooperation shall include responding timely to written communications from the board, providing any information or documents requested within 30 days of the date on which the communication was mailed, and appearing before the board or its designee upon request.
- (j) A licensee shall not assist any person in applying for licensure if the licensee knows that person to be unqualified with respect to education, training, experience, or character.
- (k) Conviction of a felony or the revocation or suspension of a professional license by another jurisdiction, if for a cause that in the state of Kansas would constitute a violation of Kansas law or of these regulations, or both, shall constitute unprofessional conduct.
- (l) A licensee shall not violate any order of the board.
- (m) Each professional surveyor shall comply with the minimum standards for the practice of professional surveying adopted by reference in K.A.R. 66-12-1.
- (n) Each licensee shall take appropriate measures to ensure that the licensee's drawings and specifications meet the following requirements: (1) Remain the property of the licensee regardless of whether the project contemplated was executed; (2) are not utilized for projects that were not contemplated at the time of the completion of the drawings and specifications; and (3) are not used by the client on any other projects, including additions to the contemplated project, unless the licensee defaults or agrees in writing to this use.

### Update for K.A.R. 66-6-1 Seals & Signatures

Currently, a board committee is working on revisions and updates to KAR 66-6-1 Seals & Signatures. As technology has improved, the committee has looked at ways for the language to reflect current practices.

Watch our web page for further updates as the revisions move through the adoption process.

All statutes and regulations are available on our webpage at :

<http://ksbtp.ks.gov/statutes-rules/ksbtp-statutes-rules-regulations>

### Welcome Aboard!

Please join us in welcoming **Tammy Matchett** and **Maribeth Hamilton** to our team. Tammy works with exams and verifications. Maribeth works with new applications for exam and licensure by comity/reciprocity. If you have questions, please call (785) 296-3053.

**KSBTP Licensees—July 2014**

<u>Profession</u>	<u># of Licenses</u>
Architects	2,829
Prof. Engineers	11,704
Landscape Architects	386
Prof. Surveyors	735
Prof. Geologists	650
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,304</b>

<u>Business Entities</u>	<u># of Licenses</u>
Architecture	623
Engineering	1,586
Landscape Architecture	63
Surveying	181
Geology	95
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,548</b>

**KSBTP Current Licensees—July 2015**

<u>Profession</u>	<u># of Licenses</u>
Architects	2,873
Prof. Engineers	12,283
Landscape Architects	374
Prof. Surveyors	716
Prof. Geologists	652
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,898</b>

<u>Business Entities</u>	<u># of Licenses</u>
Architecture	642
Engineering	1,641
Landscape Architecture	64
Surveying	171
Geology	95
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,613</b>

**Licensure Recognition Ceremony**

The Licensure Recognition Ceremony for newly licensed Architects, Landscape Architects, Professional Engineers, Professional Geologists and Professional Surveyors was held on July 10, 2015, at the Kansas State Historical Society, Topeka, Kansas. Licensure certificates were presented to licensees who recently passed their licensing exams. Joining the new licensees to celebrate this milestone in their careers were family, friends, supervisors, mentors and coworkers. More than 100 people attended the ceremony. The ceremony was a joint effort of the Kansas Society of Professional Engineers, the Kansas Society of Land Surveyors, American Institute of Architects in Kansas, Association of Environmental and Engineering Geologists, Prairie Gateway Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects and the Kansas State Board of Technical Professions.

The Keynote Speaker for the program was Steve Brosemer, P.S., 2015-2016 Kansas Board Chair. Mr. Brosemer spoke about the importance of leadership to the newly licensed professionals.



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Professional Licensure Recognition Ceremony  
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## Fifth Floor Views

What's new in your corner of the world? In our corner, we have many changes.

**New Staff:** Tammy joined the office in May and is responsible for helping licensees with verifications and examinees with their exam scores. Tammy will also work with continuing education audits along with other duties. Maribeth has also joined our staff and will work with all applicants for exams and licensure. If you are applying by reciprocity/comity or to take an examination, you will need to contact Maribeth.

**New Database:** The migration to a new system for the office has gone better than expected. Licensees are now renewing on a safer more secure online system. We continue to tweak the online renewal process to make it easier to understand from the licensee's side, and more efficient from our standpoint. As in anything new, this process is continuous and ever-changing.

**New Statutes:** Upon passage by the Kansas Legislature, the revised KSBTP Statutes are now in place. Questions and clarifications continue to evolve. Please be assured, the Board is addressing these concerns as necessary and appropriate.

In the Architect corner, one important issue has been the use of the word 'Intern'. The Board is monitoring the situation as national organizations address this issue. A second issue is adoption by KSBTP of the new IDP guidelines which decrease the required IDP hours from 5600 to 3740. Watch for updates on the KSBTP web page.

In the Professional Engineer and Professional Surveyor corners, the national exam organization, NCEES, has continued to move the professional exams to CBT (computer based testing). This has affected the processes here at the office including working on a new plan to offer the Kansas State Specific Exam (which is a paper exam) more often than the current rate of twice per year. Watch for future details.

For Landscape Architects, the national organization CLARB continues to provide licensure support for a growing global community.

And for Professional Geologists, the national organization ASBOG is providing new leadership and guidance for those in the exam and licensure processes for Professional Geologists.

So, what is new? Try to look at your life, your work, your profession in a new paradigm. What can you do to embrace the new developments in every corner of our world?

-Mary Leigh



## Applications for April 2016 Engineering & Surveying Exams

The Board is currently accepting applications for the April 2016 PE, FS and PS exams. All applications **MUST** be in the Board office and complete no later than **January 15, 2016** to be considered for the April exam. Please review application forms, including requirements, on the Board's website, [www.ksbtp.ks.gov](http://www.ksbtp.ks.gov). Any questions concerning the application process should be directed to Maribeth at 785-296-3052. Apply early for best customer service. By receiving an application early, issues may be resolved before the deadline.

Examination	Exam Date	Board Filing Deadline	Deadline for Foreign Degree Evaluation
Professional Engineering	April	January 15	January 15
	October	June 15	June 15
Professional Surveyor	April	January 15	January 15
	October	June 15	June 15
Fundamentals of Surveying	April	January 15	
	October	June 15	
Professional Geology & Fundamentals of Geology	Spring	December 15	November 15
	Fall	July 1	May 15



## KSBTP Complaint & Hearing Procedure Information

According to K.S.A. 74-7001(a) "...it shall be unlawful for any person to practice or to offer to practice in the state of Kansas, any profession included within the term technical professions, as such term is defined in the provisions of this act, unless such person has been duly licensed to practice such profession under this act or holds a certificate of authorization issued under K.S.A. 74-7036."

**When the Board office receives a complaint or an Alleged Violation form, the information is presented to the Complaint Committee of the Board for a decision on how to proceed.**

The Complaint Committee has several options for proceeding.

- Anonymous complaints are not accepted.
- The Committee may determine there is no basis to proceed and the complaint is not warranted.
- The Committee may request additional information from person submitting complaint.
- The Committee may appoint a Board investigator to conduct further investigation to develop facts or evidence.

Once the Complaint Committee has all of the information it considers necessary, the following options are available:

- Dismiss complaint as unfounded.
- Offer the Respondent/Defendant a Settlement Agreement and Consent Order.
- File a formal complaint and set the matter for a formal Hearing before a Board Hearing Panel composed of members of the Board that are not members of the Complaint Committee.

A Hearing Panel procedure is similar to a trial with a court or jury.

- The Board is represented by the Board's Attorney.
- The Respondent has a right to be represented by an attorney at his or her expense or can also represent him/herself.
- The proceedings are transcribed by a Court Reporter.
- The Board Attorney presents the Board's evidence and allegations through the use of witnesses.
- The Respondent or an attorney for the Respondent presents the Respondent's evidence.
- After evidence is presented, oral arguments are made by both sides.
- Throughout the Hearing, the Board Hearing Panel is advised on legal issues or objections by an Assistant Attorney General.

At the completion of the Hearing, the panel determines if there has been a violation of the State of Kansas Statutes or the Board's

Rules and Regulations governing the practice of the technical professions and if so what penalty to impose. As per K.S.A. 74-7026(a), "The board shall have the power to limit, condition, reprimand or otherwise discipline, suspend or revoke the license of any person...". And as per K.S.A. 74-7039(a), "The board, in addition to any other penalty prescribed under K.S.A. 74-7001 et seq., and amendments thereto, may assess civil fines after proper notice and an opportunity to be heard, against any person or entity for a violation of the statutes, rules and regulations or orders enforceable by the board in an amount not to exceed \$5,000 for the first violation, \$10,000 for the second violation and \$15,000 for the third violation and for each subsequent violation." (b) The board may also assess costs including attorney fees, ...in addition to any fine imposed."

Once the decision is made, both the Full Board and the Respondent are advised of the decision.

## NCEES Seeks Electrical & Computer Engineers' Professional Expertise & Advice

NCEES is currently seeking licensed electrical and computer engineers to participate in a professional activities and knowledge study, or PAKS, for the PE Electrical and Computer exams. The results of this online survey will be used to update specifications for the exams, which are used throughout the United States for licensing purposes. The PAKS will be used to update all three of the PE Electrical and Computer exams: Computer Engineering, Electrical and Electronics, and Power.

NCEES requires a cross section of licensed professional engineers practicing electrical or computer engineering—including those working in industry, consulting, the public sector, and academia—to complete an online survey about the tasks and knowledge required of a licensed electrical or computer engineer with 4 to 6 years of experience to practice in a manner that safeguards the health, safety, and welfare of the public. The survey can be completed in about 20 minutes.

"These studies help NCEES ensure its licensing exams remain relevant to current professional practice," explained Director of Exam Services Tim Miller, P.E. "The value of this PAKS depends on the number of people who participate, so NCEES is eager to get a large response from P.E.s across all areas of electrical and computer engineering."

For access to the online survey, visit [bit.ly/PEElecComp](http://bit.ly/PEElecComp). Responses must be received by August 7, 2015. For more information, contact NCEES Exam Development Engineer Tom Dodd, Ph.D., P.E., at [tdodd@ncees.org](mailto:tdodd@ncees.org) or 864-624-5453.

## From the Kansas State Fire Marshal:

In regard to the adoption of the 2012 International Building Code and International Fire Code we would like to provide you with the status of the regulations.

We have surpassed our anticipated targeted date of July 1, 2015 and are preparing for the adoption of the codes by this Fall.

It continues to be a top priority to OSFM and we will persevere through this slow process taking into consideration all the comments and suggestions offered.

Once we get closer to the adoption date we will announce a public comment period. Your patience is appreciated as we continue on this course of action. For more information, contact the State Fire Marshal's Office at (785) 296-3401.

## Marquette University Wins 2015 NCEES Engineering Award

NCEES is pleased to announce that the Marquette University Department of Civil, Construction, and Environmental Engineering is the grand prize winner of the 2015 NCEES Engineering Award for Connecting Professional Practice and Education. The award jury met June 2, 2015, in Clemson, South Carolina, to select the \$25,000 grand prize winner. The department received the top prize for its submission, *Sechum Vehicle Bridge*. For the project, civil engineering students worked as part of a team that also included faculty, professional engineers with specific technical backgrounds to support each discipline on the project, other professionals, and more than 100 community volunteers from the Mayan community of Sechum in Guatemala. The team designed and constructed a vehicle bridge, which impacted three rural communities seeking safe, reliable crossing of the Rio Pasaguay to access education, markets, and health care.

The jury praised the project for its strong interaction with professional engineers as well as its improvements to the quality of life in this community.

The jury selected five additional winners to receive awards of \$7,500 each:

- University of Arkansas at Little Rock  
Department of Construction Management and Civil and Construction Engineering  
*American Red Cross of Greater Arkansas Seismic Retrofit Feasibility Study*
- The Citadel  
Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering  
*Multidisciplinary Evaluation and Rehabilitation Design of Sacred Heart Catholic Church*
- George Mason University  
Sid and Reva Dewberry Department of Civil, Environ-

mental, and Infrastructure Engineering  
*Water Supply, Distribution, and Storage Sabana Grande, Nicaragua*

- University of Nebraska–Lincoln

Charles W. Durham School of Architectural Engineering and Construction

*Multidisciplinary Vertical Farm Design*

- Seattle University

Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering

*Seismic Analysis and Retrofit Design of a Historic Substation Control Building*

The NCEES Engineering Award recognizes engineering programs that encourage collaboration between students and professional engineers. EAC/ABET-accredited programs from all engineering disciplines were invited to submit projects that integrate professional practice and education.

A jury of NCEES members and representatives from academic institutions and professional engineering organizations selected the winners. The 11 jury members considered criteria such as

- Successful collaboration of faculty, students, and licensed professional engineers
- Protection of public health, safety, and/or welfare of the public
- Multidiscipline and/or allied profession participation
- Knowledge or skills gained
- Effectiveness of display board, abstract, and project description

"I am impressed that the students were able to coordinate the bridge construction so that it could be completed in such a short time frame. The use of a local labor force of community members to construct the bridge was equally impressive," said NCEES Engineering Award jury chair Michelle Rambo-Roddenberry, Ph.D., P.E. "This project will have a huge societal impact and positive long-term effects on the community." Profiles of the winning submissions are available online at [ncees.org/award](http://ncees.org/award).

## Exciting News for the KS State Specific Exam

With upcoming changes at NCEES for year-round testing opportunities, the PS exam will become a computer-based test (CBT) starting April 2016. Kansas currently does not administer our state-specific exam outside the current PS April and October administrations. With Board approval we are now in the process of creating a schedule to include more exam dates, creating more opportunities throughout the year for the exams to be administered. As we implement this new plan, look for updates on our website and in the upcoming newsletters.



## CONGRATULATIONS!

The Kansas State Board of Technical Professions is pleased to announce the following individuals have successfully passed the required examinations and are now licensed.

### Architect Registration Examination

Carol E Bell	Rogers, AR
Christopher W Busch	Overland Park KS
Katherine M Gallagher	Overland Park KS
Trent Gareis	Overland Park KS
Matthew Griswold	Kansas City MO
Brandon G Hite	Garden City KS
Gregory J Hoffman	Lawrence KS
Mark Hunter	Fairway KS
Maresa L Kemper	Topeka KS
Elizabeth C Main	Vancouver WA
Marianne G Melling	Lawrence, KS
Jeff D Minar II	Wichita KS
Leslie Nepveux	Dallas TX
Sean M Page	Olathe KS
Heather Peterson	Manhattan KS
Dana M Schwartz	Lenexa KS
Mark W Schwartzkopf	Hutchinson KS
Raymond E Stubblefield JR	Wichita KS

### Landscape Architect Registration Examination

Andrew Buchwitz	Overland Park KS
Jon Franklin Champlin	Fort Lauderdale FL

### Practice of Geology Examination

James B Beilman	Wichita KS
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### Prin & Prac of Surveying Examination

Chris R Sprague	Gardner KS
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### Prin. & Practice of Engineering Examination

Daric R Adair	Olathe KS
Mark A Adams	Gardner KS
Dillon M Baird	Lawrence KS
Zachary D Baker	Olathe KS
James L Beutler	Gladstone MO
Peter Boos	Overland Park KS
Christopher S Bozarth	Springfield MO
Pat Bramlett	Leawood KS
Timothy R Branam	Lebo KS
Derek M Brown	Topeka KS
Matthew J Brunnworth	Overland Park KS
Andrew J Carleton	Prairie Village KS
Allen J Chestnut	Fort Collins CO
Tyler M Clime	Overland Park KS
Samuel E Coulson	Kansas City KS
Brett E Crask	Olathe KS
Jacob D Deiter	Eudora KS
Shane D Denson	Buhler KS
Katelyn M DePenning	Merriam KS
Jordan G Dettmer	Phillipsburg KS
Elizabeth K Elliott	Overland Park KS

Scott P Evans	Wichita KS
Travis R Fort	Spring TX
Justin R Fox	Lenexa KS
Ryan M Gamso	Prairie Village KS
Derek W Gay	Topeka KS
Todor G Gogov	Overland Park KS
Christopher J Greer	Olathe KS
Todd P Halling	Lenexa KS
Steven F Hammerschmidt	Macedonia OH
Katie N Handley	DeSoto KS
Joanna G Hankins	Overland Park KS
Douglas R Hartwell	Lawrence KS
Kurt L Hershey	Andover KS
Jeremy R Hoefler	Lenexa KS
Benjamin L Hollon	Prairie Village KS
Aaron B Holloway	Shawnee KS
Brandon S Hursh	Merriam KS
Andrew J Jenkins	Lawrence KS
Philip Jennings	Stillwell KS
Farris F Jibril	Wichita KS
Ryan M Jisa	Overland Park KS
John K Johannes	Leavenworth KS
Kellen Johnson	Lees Summit MO
Dillon T Karlix	Shawnee KS
Trevor Karstens	Overland Park KS
Russel J Katona	Kansas City MO
David F Klahn Jr.	Ft Leavenworth KS
Matthew T Kolins	Olathe KS
Josh P Laaser	Roeland Park KS
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Kevin J Reene	Overland Park KS
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Bradley W Riebel	Iola KS
Patrick C Riley	Lawrence KS
Emily C Robbins	Kansas City MO
Garrett S Rood	Garden City KS
Christopher S Schulz	Topeka KS
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Samuel C Tapko	Kansas City MO
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Gregory W Thome Jr	Overland Park KS
Andrew T Trupka	Kansas City MO
William R Verbanic	Kansas City KS
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Zachary T Warren	Kansas City MO
Zachary T Weiss	Prairie Village KS
Joel R Wheeler	Wichita KS
Kevin M Williams	Wichita KS
Josh A Yarrow	Topeka KS
Chik Hon Yim	Lenexa KS
Michael A Younger	Pratt KS
Michael O Zinke	Lenexa KS

The Kansas State Board of Technical Professions is pleased to announce the following individuals have successfully passed the **Fundamentals of Geology Exam**

### Fundamentals of Geology Examination

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## Emeritus & Inactive Status

KSBTPT recently created a new license status designated **Emeritus** status for retirees. Emeritus eliminates the need for retirees to renew their license every two years while allowing them to keep their designation followed with the word "Emeritus." You must be 60+ years of age and in good standing with the board. Once on Emeritus status, you must reinstate your license to return to practice. The **Emeritus** status form is available on the web site at [www.ksbtp.ks.gov](http://www.ksbtp.ks.gov). For more information on reinstatement, please see the application on our website. <http://ksbtp.ks.gov/docs/default-source/default-document-library/reinstate-app-9-14.pdf?sfvrsn=2>

**Inactive** status has replaced the retired status previously used. **Inactive** status does not require continuing education. You still renew every two years and pay the renewal fee. While on **Inactive** status, you cannot practice your profession in Kansas (including consulting work). To return to practice, you submit the Return to Practice form and provide documentation of continuing education credits to the board.

## NCEES Exam Statistics

NCEES Exam Statistics For KS – April 2015	# Tested	% Passing 1 <sup>st</sup> Time	% Passing Repeat	National 1 <sup>st</sup> Time	% Pass Repeat
<b>Professional Engineers</b>					
Architect	19	100	100	83	42
Chemical	2	100	-	69	22
Civil	58	77	35	65	28
Electrical and Computer Power	24	76	33	62	27
Electrical and Computer	2	50	0	52	18
Environmental	1	0	-	64	32
Industrial	1	100	-	72	47
Mechanical	31	86	50	71	41
<b>Professional Surveyors</b>					
Principals & Practice of Surveying	3	67	0	78	45
Kansas State Specific – Part I	10	4 Pass			
Kansas State Specific – Part II	16	8 Pass			

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Choice Engineering, LLC	E-2553
P. Marshall & Associates, LLC	E-2554
Tasman Geosciences	E-2555
Allstructure Engineering, LLC	E-2556
Darren George Engineering, LLC	E-2557
ESC, Inc.	E-2558
PECGA LLC	E-2559
Image Custom Engineering Solutions, LLC	E-2560
Providence Engineering and Environmental Group LLC	E-2561
Parsons Electric LLC	E-2562
Schneider Electric Mobility NA, Inc.	E-2563
Geotechnical Engineering Associates, LLC	E-2564
Magnusson Klemencic Associates, Inc.	E-2565
Precision Surveillance Corporation	E-2566
Repella Consulting Engineers, Inc.	E-2567
Murray & Associates, Inc.	E-2568
U.S. Forensic, LLC	E-2569
Century A & E Corporation	E-2570
Connect Structural Engineering, Inc.	E-2571
Electrical Manufacturing & Distributors, Inc.	E-2572
Prime Engineering Incorporated	E-2573
Alta Planning+Design	E-2574
Structural Services, Inc.	E-2575
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Brueggemann Holtzen Engineering, P.C.	E-2577
ZZ Consulting, P.A.	E-2578
Highland Engineering, P.C.	E-2579
Shirk & O'Donovan Consulting Engineers, Incorporated	E-2580
Wendel WD Architecture, Engineering, Surveying & Landscape Architecture, P.C.	E-2581
Stubbs Engineering, LLC	E-2582
Carter Engineering Consultants, Inc.	E-2583
Electric Power Systems, Inc.	E-2584
Enviro Clean Cardinal, LLC	E-2585
Spur Design, LLC	E-2586
SEA, Ltd.	E-2587
Canam Steel Corporation	E-2588
BRPH Architects-Engineers, Inc.	E-2589
Strategic Value Solutions, Inc.	E-2590
United Consulting Group, Ltd.	E-2591

**ARCHITECTURE**

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Corgan Associates, Inc.	A-1073
Credo Design Architects, LLC	A-1074
M2 Architecture Studio LLC	A-1075
Fullerton Engineering Consultants, Inc.	A-1076
Design Architects Plus, Inc.	A-1077
L.B. Manske Architecture & Design, Inc.	A-1078
Wilkus Architects, P.A.	A-1079

Luxe Architects, L.L.C.	A-1080
BRPH Architects-Engineers, Inc.	A-1081
inFORM Studio, P.C.	A-1082

**SURVEYING**

MIDCO Services, LLC	LS-306
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**LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE**

none

**GEOLOGY**

Enviro Clean Cardinal, LLC	G-0135
Environmental Works, Inc.	G-0136

**NAME CHANGES**

MulvannyG2 Architecture Corporation TO: MG2 Corporations	A-314
Civil Engineers of Southwest Ohio, LLC TO: CESO, Inc.	A-1011 & E-2388
Glover-Smith-Bode, Inc. TO: GSB, Inc.	A-76
Weaver Boos Consultants, LLC TO: Weaver Consultants Group, LLC	E-876
KJWW, P.C. TO: KJWW Corp.	E-1015
Conestoga-Rovers & Associates, Inc. TO: GHD Services Inc.	E-1131 & G-56
ENVIRON International Corporation TO: Ramboll Environ US Corporation	E-1331 & G-70
Infinigy Engineering & Surveying PLLC TO: Infinigy Engineering PLLC	E-1340
Willbros Engineers, LLC TO: Wink Engineering, LLC	E-1800
CRA Engineering Group, Inc. TO: GHD Engineering Group Inc.	E-2097
L'Acquis Consulting Enterprises Indianapolis LLC TO: Engineering Excellence, LLC	E-2372

**REINSTATEMENTS**

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Design Forum Architects, Inc.	A-351
Ben Moore Studio, LLC	A-992
PERFORMA, INC	E-789
Bolton & Menk, Inc	E-1148
Edge Consulting Engineers, Inc.	E-1210
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Lowe Engineers LLC	E-1952
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Galletta Engineering Corporation	E-2336
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