

The Board of Licensure Report
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James Ed Manning, Executive Director

Computer Based Testing - Update

For several years now NCEES has been converting all licensing exams from a paper and pencil format to a computer based format.

For surveyors, both of the national surveying exams, the FS and the PS have been converted to the computer based format. With the elimination of the state specific surveying exam in late 2018, the entire exam process for land surveyors is now completely computer based and available year round.

For engineers, we are still in a period of transition but that transition has been accelerated by NCEES in response to the COVID 19 Pandemic. As of this writing the following engineering exams are computer based and offered year round...

- FE (all disciplines)
- PE Chemical
- PE Environmental
- PE Mechanical (all disciplines)
- PE Electrical and Computer: Power

As of this writing, the following engineering exams are computer based, but due to the small examinee populations, are offered only once each year...

- PE Nuclear
- PE Petroleum
- PE Fire Protection
- PE Industrial and Systems
- PE Agricultural and Biological Engineering
- PE Electrical and Computer: Computer Engineering
- PE Electrical and Computer: Electronics, Controls and Communications
- PE Mining and Mineral Processing

All other exams are scheduled to be converted to computer based format by the end of 2022 with the exception of Structural Engineering which is scheduled for 2024.

For up to date information on the conversion to computer based testing, visit <https://ncees.org/exams/cbt/>

Late Firm Renewals - Reminder

All Firm Permits (also known as Business Entity Permits) expire on December 31 of each year unless they are renewed.

Any firm that missed the deadline may still renew its permit online for up to a year from the date of expiration. Access the online renewal system at <https://kyboels.ky.gov/Renewals/Pages/default.aspx>. Be sure to select the **"Online Firm Renewal"** option. Renewal takes only a few minutes and you can pay the renewal fee with a credit card. The system will automatically calculate a 10% per month late renewal penalty.

A word of caution however; the late renewal provision notwithstanding, the offering or providing of professional services through a firm having an expired permit is prohibited and can result in disciplinary action.

You can check the license/permit status of any person/firm using our online searchable roster... <https://elsweb.kyboels.ky.gov/kweb/Searchable-Roster>. If after checking the roster you are still uncertain as to the status of an individual or firm, contact our office for assistance.

Below is a list of those firms for which a firm permit expired at the end of 2020. It should be noted that some firms may have decided not to renew because they no longer offer engineering or surveying services in Kentucky.

AARCO Surveying, Incorporated	Forte Engineering LLC	North Alabama Fabricating Company, Inc.
Abacus Engineering & Land Surveying, In	Fosdick & Hilmer, Incorporated	Orbital Engineering, Inc
ABNA Engineering Inc	Greenscape Pump Services, Inc.	Orion Engineering, PC
ADG Design, LLC	Hahn Engineering, Inc.	Ozark Civil Engineering Inc.
Advanced Creative Industries, LLC	HCI Engineering	Poggemeyer Design Group Inc
Advani Engineering, Inc.	Highland Associates, Ltd. Architecture Engi	Premier Design Group, LLC
AECOM USA, Inc.	Highland Engineering PC	Process Automation & Simulation Services
All Environmental, Inc.	Hill Phoenix, Inc.	Project Integration, Inc.
AMEC Foster Wheeler E&C Services, Inc.	Holiday-Parks Fabricators, Inc.	Pure Power Engineering, Inc.
Anchor Engineering, Inc.	Howard Engineering & Construction, Inc,	Pure Technologies U.S. Inc.
Applied Foundation Testing, Inc.	I A Lewin, PE and Associates	Purtle + Associates, L.C.
APX Engineering Group, LLC	IBC Engineering Services, Inc.	QPS Engineering, LLC
Arc Design Resources, Inc.	Infinigy Engineering, PLLC	Quanta Telecommunication Services, LLC
Architectural Wall Consulting and Engin	J. A. Doepker Associates, Inc.	Ragan-Smith Associates, Inc.
Audubon Field Solutions, LLC	JADE Consulting, LLC	Saegesser Engineering, Inc.
Avalon Land Surveying LLC	Jax Refrigeration, Inc.	SBE, LLC
Bakke Kopp Ballou & McFarlin, Inc.	JD Land Surveying, Inc.	Seattle Structural
Bechtel Infrastructure and Power Corpor	JGD Associates, Inc.	Segars Engineering
Big R Manufacturing, LLC	Jordan & Skala Engineers, Incorporated	Shremshock Engineering, Inc.
Blankenbeker & Son Land Surveyors Inc.,	KAI Engineering, LLC	SIGMA Environmental, LLC
Blum Consulting Engineers, Inc.	KDH Consulting Engineers, Inc	SITECH Mid-South LLC
Borton, LC	Keal & Associates,Inc	Slesser Engineering Inc.
Brandstetter Carroll, Inc.	Kerry P. Magan, Consulting Engineers, PLC	SoCore Engineering LLC
Brookside Engineering, PLLC	Knoth Surveying and Design, LLC	Southport Engineering Associates, PC
C B & M Surveys Inc.	Leachate Management Specialists LLC	SpecPro Environmental Services, L.L.C.
Caldwell Engineering & Surveying	Leidos Consulting Engineers, Inc.	SSI Consulting, LLC
Canon Engineering, LLC	Leidos Engineering, LLC	Stahl Sheaffer Engineering, LLC

CB&I LLC	Livingston Engineering, LLC	Structure Sight LLC
CDI Corporation	Lockwood, Andrews & Newnam, Inc	SUKUP STEEL STRUCTURES LLC
CEG Solutions, LLC	Lutz, Daily & Brian, LLC	Summey Engineering Associates, PLLC
Clearpoint Consulting Engineers, P.A.	MacIntosh Engineering, P.A.	T.H.E. Engineers, Inc.
CMTA, Inc.	Malcolm Endicott and Associates	TAP Structural Solutions, LLC
Coal Mining Engineering Services LLC	MALLIA ENGINEERING COMPANY	Tarr Group
Cornerstone Environmental Group, LLC	Marine Development, Inc.	TGC Engineering, LLC
Dabney Engineering and Land Surveying	Matthew Clark Surveyors, LLC	The Design Collaborative
Dialectic, Inc.	McMullen Engineering Co., Inc.	TOWER CONSULTANTS INC.
Dumack Engineering, P.C.	Metric Engineering, Inc.	TriAD Environmental Consultants, Inc.
E & E Engineering and Associates, LLC	Metro GeoSpatial, LLC	Underwater Engineering Services, Inc.
E. L. Robinson Engineering Co.	Michael A. Beach & Associates, LLC	United Consulting
E2M Engineering	Midwest Engineering, Inc.	Universal Industrial Gases, Inc.
Earth Exploration, Incorporated	Mission 1 Engineering P.C.	URS CORPORATION SOUTHERN
Ecology & Environment, Inc.	MJM Architects, LLC	W. R. Coles and Associates
Engineering Associates, LLC	MJS Consultants, LLC	Wade Trim, Inc.
Engineering Consultants, Inc.	Morrow Engineering, Inc.	Weatherford and Associates, LLC
Engineers-Architects, P.C.	Move the Peak, LLC	West Virginia Electric Industries
FCG Associates, LLC	MPSL Group	Woodard & Curran, Inc
Five Star Engineering, LLC	Mueser Rutledge Consulting Engineers	XYZ PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, LTD
Fluhrer Reed, PA	Nasah Engineering Consultation and Servi	Yarger Engineering, Inc.
Forensic Analysis & Engineering Corpor	Natural Energy Engineering Services, PLLC	

Calendar of Events 2021

April 8	Committee Meetings	Virtual
April 9	Board Meeting	Virtual
April 15-17	NCEES Southern Zone Mtg.	Virtual
April 22	Paper and Pencil PE & STR Vertical Exams	Louisville
April 23	Paper and Pencil PE & STR Horizontal Exam	Louisville
July 29	Committee Meetings	Virtual
July 30	Board Meeting	Virtual
August 18-21	NCEES Annual Meeting	New Orleans
October 22	Paper and Pencil PE & STR Vertical Exams	Louisville
October 23	STR Horizontal Exam	Louisville
October 28	Committee Meetings	Virtual
October 29	Board Meeting	Virtual

For up to date information on the NCEES schedule for both paper based and computer based exams, visit <https://ncees.org/exams/schedule/>

ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS SUMMARY
For The Period
October 1, 2020– December 31, 2020
Kyle Elliott, Director of Enforcement

GLENN S. TURNER, PE, PLS

In late 2018, the Board of Licensure received a written complaint from a landowner in Hardin County, KY. The landowner had observed a person removing one of his property boundary markers, and resetting it 10-15 feet into his property. He approached the individual, and after a verbal exchange, the person disclosed that he was employed by Glenn Turner, of New Banks, Inc., dba Turner Engineering, of Elizabethtown, KY. An investigation found that Mr. Turner: failed to adequately supervise this employee in recovering monuments from an earlier Turner survey; failed to provide notice of entry onto the complainant's land; failed to obtain written permission to destroy, injure, damage, or move anything on the complainant's land; and violated the land surveying Standards of Practice when the employee removed and reset an existing record monument. Those failures violated KAR 18:142, Section 8 (6), KRS 322.470 (2) and (3), and 201 KAR 18:150, Section 9 (8), respectively. To resolve these violations, Glenn Turner entered into a Consent Decree with the Board of Licensure wherein he acknowledged the violations and agreed to: (1) receive a written reprimand; (2) pay an administrative fine of \$2,000; and (3) have both his engineering and land surveying licenses placed on probation for 2 years with quarterly project reviews. The Board of Licensure approved this Consent Decree on January 22, 2021.

STEVEN R. BROWN, PLS

In late 2019, the Board received a telephone call from a private citizen inquiring about an iron pin with cap that he had recently discovered on his property. The cap had an identification on it of "Brown, PLS #3476", which is Steven Brown's license number. Mr. Brown's license had expired on June 30, 2017 and had not been renewed or reinstated. A brief investigation by the Board found that Mr. Brown was unaware his license had expired, and that he had failed to take the required continuing professional development courses during the time when his license was expired. Mr. Brown admitted to having performed seven different surveys while his license was expired. These constitute violations of KRS 322.020 and 201 KAR 18:192. During the investigation, Mr. Brown decided he wanted to have his land surveying

license reinstated. A Consent Decree was proposed to the Board of Licensure that would allow Mr. Brown to reinstate his license, if he acknowledged the violations and agreed to the following penalties: (1) receive a letter of reprimand; (2) pay an administrative fine of \$1,000; (3) make an application and pay the application fee for reinstatement of his license; and (4) provide proof of successfully completing 32 professional development hours of continuing professional development. The Board accepted this Consent Decree on January 22, 2021.

MICHAEL ZIMMER

Michael Zimmer is licensed as a professional engineer in the state of Ohio, and has never been licensed in Kentucky. In December of 2019, Mr. Zimmer applied for his Kentucky license and included experience information in his NCEES Record that described engineering work he had performed in Kentucky. An investigation found that Michael Zimmer had performed engineering services for at least three different projects in Kentucky and submitted reports to Kentucky’s Division of Air Quality for approval. This work performed prior to becoming licensed as a professional engineer in Kentucky violated KRS 322.020. Mr. Zimmer agreed to the following penalties for his violations: (1) receive a letter of reprimand; (2) take and successfully complete the Texas Tech 60-hour Engineering Ethics course; and (3) have his Kentucky professional engineering license placed on a two-year probation with quarterly project reviews. The Board accepted the Consent Decree on January 22, 2021.

**Enforcement Statistics
Calendar Year
2020**

Beginning of year complaint files active	50
Complaint files opened (22 engineering 17 surveying)	39
Investigations completed / complaint files closed	36
Year-end complaint files active	53
Complaints closed with no action warranted	12
Admonishments	12

Agreed injunctions / orders (unlicensed practice)	1
Reprimands, fines, probation, etc.	8
Suspensions	0
Revocations / surrenders	4
Licenses Retired or Inactive ¹	1
Other	2
Total Resolutions ²	40

1. Includes licensees who failed to comply with CPD requirements and elected to place their license on retired/inactive status.
2. Total resolutions does not match total cases closed because some cases involved more than one resolution (e.g. if a case had multiple respondents).