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Our Summer 2017 *Bulletin*

We hope you enjoy this latest issue of the *Bulletin*. This quarter's newsletter theme is "professional responsibility."

What does professional responsibility mean to you as a potential or current licensee? That answer is different for everyone, but our statutes and regulations provide guidance for our licensees as well as our readers.

Our Codes of Professional Conduct were developed and adopted by the Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Geologists (Board/BPELSG) to protect and safeguard the health, safety, welfare, and property of the public. They apply to every person who is licensed by the Board as a professional engineer, land surveyor, geologist, and geophysicist, including licensees employed in any manner by a governmental entity or in private practice.

These Codes, along with the Board's mission to protect the public's safety and property by promoting standards for competence and integrity through licensing and regulating the Board's professions, are at the heart of everything the Board does and strives to do.

Take a look inside, and let us know your thoughts!



Message From the Executive Officer

RICHARD B. MOORE, PLS

Professional responsibility. How important is that for the licensed engineer, land surveyor, geologist, or geophysicist to understand? Maybe it depends on your own perspective and whether you as a licensed member consider the authority bestowed upon you as important or not. In this edition of the Board's *Bulletin*, there are several perspectives offered that may be worth considering.

July is always an interesting time for us at BPELSG. We are in between National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) and National Association of State Boards of Geology (ASBOG) meetings; results from the spring exams are already released and licensing candidates are trying to decide whether to attempt exams again in the fall or to send in their initial application; the Legislature is generally on recess until late July or August; and BPELSG staff is busy processing all the recent applications.

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Board Staff: The Meaning of Professional Responsibility



*Damage at Oroville Dam spillway.
(Credit: Department of Water Resources)*

Whether repairing the spillway for the tallest dam in the United States, the Oroville Dam, or dealing with any one of many projects they're working on at any given time, the licensed engineers, land surveyors, and geologists of California are expected to adhere to professional responsibility guidelines set by the Board.

Board staff members each gave their opinions on what constitutes professional responsibility.



**Mike Donelson,
P.E., Board Staff
Senior Registrar for
Engineering**

Donelson chose two quotes that exemplify professional responsibility:

“Engineering is a great profession. There is the satisfaction of watching a figment of the imagination

emerge through the aid of science to a plan on paper. Then it moves to realization in stone or metal or energy. Then it brings homes to men or women. Then it elevates the standard of living and adds to the comforts of life. This is the engineer's high privilege.” – Herbert Hoover

“As engineers, we have knowledge and skills well beyond those of most consumers of our work, who must trust us to produce systems that operate safely, reliably, and with minimal negative impact. Human lives can depend upon the quality of our work, and significant economic and environmental consequences can result from the things that we do. Therefore, we as engineers must always have an awareness of not only the benefits but also the dangers and limitations of systems that we design. We must never put forward results that we have not thoroughly evaluated, and we must never conceal the shortcomings of our products. This is the fundamental responsibility of our profession to our society.” – MIT MECHE: Ethics and Integrity (<http://meche.mit.edu/ethics>)



**Ric Moore, PLS, Board
Executive Officer and
licensed land surveyor**

Have you ever come across a licensed land surveyor who was reluctant to share their opinion on something surveying-related? Chances are if you asked this question to group comprised of 100 licensed land surveyors, they would

all laugh in unison, respond with a resounding “no,” and then provide 108 different opinions.

My response would be “Yes, on a daily basis!” In my experiences working at the Board, I interact with those individuals authorized to perform/provide land surveying services (both licensed land surveyors and civil engineers licensed prior to 1982) who not only are reluctant to provide their professional opinion related to a survey they were in responsible charge of, but also spend a great deal of effort to argue otherwise. The epitome of irony.

Whenever the opportunity arises when speaking with a group of land surveyors, I always ask:

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- Who else has the legal authority to tell property owners where the limits of their property ownership is located?
- Who else has the legal authority to place a marker in the ground visibly telling owners on all sides of that marker where the dividing line is between their respective boundaries?
- Who else has the legal authority to express their professional opinion on a Record of Survey or Corner Record filed publically for all to see?

The answer to each question is “No one else.” Yet, many land surveyors either fail to or do not wish to recognize that by writing and enacting the laws they did, the Legislature essentially provided licensed land surveyors with the responsibility to express their own individual professional opinion on where to set monuments, to file a map documenting that opinion, and to represent to the public that their opinion can be considered reliable. (I do recognize, however, that some will argue that property owners can establish boundaries or that a court can establish boundaries—both of which are intricate aspects of law that goes beyond the topic of licensing and protecting the public.)

Why some licensed land surveyors fail to or choose not to recognize and embrace these professional responsibilities

that are solely granted to each one of them is an answer that may only be resolved by the same group that holds those responsibilities.



**Laurie Racca, P.G.,
and Board Staff
Senior Registrar
for Geology and
Geophysics**

My concept of professional responsibility has been shaped by three interrelated concepts: scientific integrity, open communication, and service—both to customers and community.

A former boss of mine was fond of saying “It’s not WHO is right, but WHAT is right.” I’ve always understood that to mean that I should check my ego at the door and base my decisions on the data available to me. In my career, I have strived to listen to both concurring and dissenting viewpoints, and endeavored to offer clear explanations (backed by evidence) to support my professional opinions and decisions.

I’ve always believed that customer service is integral to professional responsibility. As professionals, people come to us to help them solve a problem, advance their goals, or research an issue. Professional responsibility means clearly and concisely communicating what you did for that person and why, in a transparent and understandable manner. It doesn’t matter whether the “customer” is a paying client, a member of the public, or a colleague. My goal is to provide value to the interaction.

In the context of professional responsibility, community service means that I actively seek opportunities to improve my professional and interpersonal skills. Doing so allows me to pass on what I have learned by mentoring younger geologists and encouraging personal growth in others.

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OUTREACH EVENTS: January–March 2017

ENGINEERS

March 21: Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC)

Senior Registrars for Engineering Mike Donelson, P.E., and Susan Christ, P.E., along with Senior Registrar for Geology Laurie Racca, P.G., gave a presentation on professional licensure to DTSC's Engineering Services Unit.

March 21: American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), Sacramento Capital Branch

Executive Officer (EO) Ric Moore, PLS, gave a presentation on professional licensure.

LAND SURVEYORS

January 11 and 19: California Land Surveyors Association (CLSA), East Bay Chapter

EO Ric Moore, PLS, and Senior Registrar for Land Surveying Dallas Sweeney, PLS, gave a presentation on professional licensure.



January 19: CLSA, Channel Islands Chapter

EO Ric Moore, PLS, and Senior Registrar for Land Surveying Dallas Sweeney, PLS, gave a presentation on professional licensure.



January 27–28: California State University (CSU), Fresno, Geomatics Conference

Outreach Coordinator Brooke Phayer represented the Board at the 56th annual Geomatics Engineering Program Conference at CSU, Fresno. Attended by students, faculty, local licensed professionals, and those interested in applying for licensure, the conference provided the opportunity for the Board to discuss changes to the application/exam process.

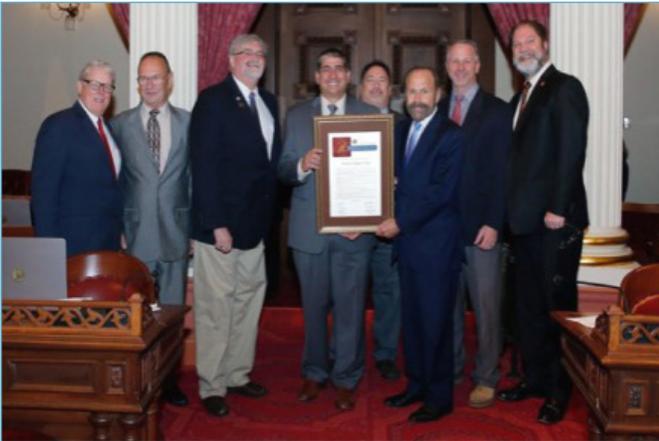


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March 20: California State Legislature

Senate Resolution No. 24, passed by the California State Legislature, recognizes the week of March 19 through March 25, 2017, as National Surveyors Week.



From left to right: Senator Bill Monning, Board member Steve Wilson, CLSA President Ian Wilson, Vice President of the American Council of Engineering Companies California Ralph Guida, Board EO Ric Moore, Senator Jerry Hill, Senator Anthony Cannella, Senator John Moorlach.

GEOLOGY

January 12: State Agencies Geo Symposium

Board Senior Registrar for Geology Laurie Racca, P.G., hosted a webinar focused on responsible charge and sign/seal.

February 27: University of California, Santa Cruz

Board Senior Registrar for Geology Laurie Racca, P.G., hosted a meeting with the University's Earth Science Department professors regarding the Fundamentals of Geology exam and Curriculum Performance Assessment Tool.

March 22: San Diego

Board Senior Registrar for Geology Laurie Racca, P.G., provided a geology practice update for professionals in the San Diego region.

March 28: CSU, San Francisco

Board Senior Registrar for Geology Laurie Racca, P.G., gave a presentation on the Geologist-in-Training certification to CSU, San Francisco, geology students.



National Association News

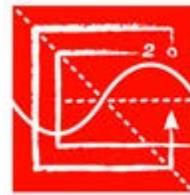
NCEES

The National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) is a national nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing professional licensure for engineers and surveyors. It develops, administers, and scores the examinations used for engineering and surveying licensure in the United States. To learn more about NCEES, visit <http://ncees.org/about-ncees/>.

Representatives from BPELSG recently attended the 2017 Western Zone Interim Meeting held May 18–20, in Denver, Colorado. This meeting, which was jointly held in collaboration with NCEES' Central Zone, focused on presentations from NCEES' current national officers and committees. The presentations described the tasks performed by the officers and committees over the last year in preparation for the annual meeting in August. NCEES member boards will reconvene at the annual meeting in August to debate and vote on the implementation of these important issues.

Hot topics from the Western Zone Interim Meeting included:

- A proposed revision to the policies related to member board voting. Originally introduced as a resolution by the California Board, this proposal sought to realign the current voting procedures to address the inequity associated with every member board only having one vote during procedures regardless of whether the member board was a combined board (regulates engineers and surveyors) versus those states that have separate boards. An example is Vermont, which has two boards and two votes—one for engineers and a separate one for surveyors—while California has one vote total due to being a combined board even though the number of licenses regulated is substantially different.



NCEES
*advancing licensure for
engineers and surveyors*

This proposal seeks to provide two votes for those boards that regulate both engineers and surveyors. All 15 licensing jurisdictions from the Western Zone unanimously voted to move this forward as a Western Zone resolution.

- A discussion on developing a Public Lands Survey System (PLSS) module that would be supplementary to the NCEES Principles and Practice of Surveying (PS) exam. The intent of this is to more consistently test candidates on a national level on land surveying principles and practice that is common among all member boards, while implementing a PLSS module for those states that require their surveying licensees to demonstrate minimum competence in public lands surveying. It is expected that this discussion will lead to a proposed resolution at the annual meeting in August.

For more NCEES news, visit <http://ncees.org/news/>.



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Get to Know Our Licensees



Meet Dina Kourda, P.G., CEG, CHG, Engineering Geologist for the Department of Toxic Substances Control, Geological Services Branch

Why did you choose geology as your career?

I was undecided in my major when I entered school, but I knew I wanted to study something science-related.

My father pushed me into engineering. He entered college as an engineering major himself, but switched to a geography-French double major soon thereafter. After he graduated, I suspect he saw engineering as a growing field with many opportunities and he wanted that for me.

Where did you attend school?

I have a BS in engineering geology from UCLA. I was fortunate to take an introductory geology course and I fell in love. I learned the department offered an engineering geology degree. I thought that would satisfy my interest as well as my father's. I also went on to obtain a certificate from UCI in strategic environmental management. My employers were gracious enough to give me the time off and pay my tuition and material/parking fees.

You current career focus is environmental geology. What drew you to this practice area?

I fell into the environmental field by chance with a fabulous job offer in Orange County after graduation. My real love was engineering geology because that was my major. I had a passion for the prevention and mitigation of geohazards. I worked in environmental consulting for almost five years before I switched to geotechnical. It was only then I realized the environmental field was a better fit for me. I care deeply about our environment. For that reason, among many, I live a vegan, plant-based lifestyle, which lessens

greenhouse gases, water consumption, as well as groundwater, air, and soil degradation.

Why did you get your professional geologist (PG) license?

I decided to work toward obtaining my PG (RG [registered geologist], at the time) for more opportunity in my career. Having a PG (and later CEG [certified engineering geologist] and CHG [certified hydrogeologist] licenses) allowed me to manage projects, including signing and stamping the documents I had prepared. I was hyperfocused on getting my PG and even unplugged my TV to reduce distractions in the weeks leading up to the exam.

You hold both geology specialty titles (CEG and CHG). What value do they represent to you, and how has that helped you?

I studied for my CEG and CHG concurrently because there was so much overlap in material. Because I was in the geotechnical field at the time, obtaining the CEG was imperative. However, having knowledge in both fields of engineering geology and hydrogeology is helpful on most projects to this day. Having specialty titles also gives my colleagues and other project participants an idea about my qualifications.

You currently work for the state of California. What drew you to public service?

I have experience in environmental and geotechnical consulting and felt I could do the most good working in public service. I started in environmental consulting primarily working on an oil field on the Central Coast, delineating hydrocarbon plumes in soil and groundwater. I also had the opportunity to work in the San Francisco Bay Area for five months. I then

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transferred to geotechnical consulting, working on hillside grading projects in south Orange County and San Diego. I went back to environmental consulting for some time before settling into state service.

I hadn't considered working for government, but around the same time, two DTSC [Department of Toxic Substances Control] employees suggested I apply. One is an environmental scientist who works as a project manager and is still with the Department. The other is a former environmental consulting colleague (at two different companies) who now works for Caltrans as an engineering geologist. Most importantly, he was my CEG study partner.

Please describe your participation with BPELSG as an examination subject matter expert and the value of that participation.

Thanks to the recent MOU [memorandum of understanding], I started my volunteerism with the

BPELSG examination activities last summer. It's given me the opportunity to help review, write, and rewrite questions so they are fair to the minimally qualified examination candidate. Personally, it gives me a chance to reconnect with former colleagues and learn about new project techniques, approaches, and technologies.

What advice would you give to someone just starting their geology career?

I always tell people who are interested in the environmental field and who are currently studying environmental science or engineering to consider a geology or civil engineering major because there is power in the stamp. Because the material is fresh so soon after graduation, I encourage them to obtain their EIT [engineer-in-training] or GIT [geologist-in-training] certifications, and then their PE or PG. I also learned having a study partner is a sure way to pass the exam the first time.



Enforcement Actions

Citations Issued to Licensees: Fiscal Year 2016–17 (January–March)

Citations are issued to licensed engineers, land surveyors, geologists, and geophysicists when the severity of a violation may not warrant suspension or revocation of the licensee’s right to practice. When a fine is levied with a citation, payment of the fine does not constitute admission of any violations charged but represents a satisfactory resolution of the matter, pursuant to Business and Professions Code Section 125.9(d). Code sections numbered in the 6700s, 7800s, and 8700s refer to the Business and Professions Code; those numbered in the 400s and 3000s refer to Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations. You can read the laws on the Board’s website, www.bpelsg.ca.gov/laws/index.shtml. All final citations are matters of public record. For a copy of the final citation order or if you have any questions, you may contact the Board’s Enforcement Unit at BPELSG.Enforcement.Information@dca.ca.gov or (916) 263-2284. Please include the name of the cited person and the citation number in your request.

| Cited Person | Citation No. | Violation Code Section(s) | Date Final | Fine Amount | Status of Fine |
|----------------------|--------------|--|------------|-------------|----------------|
| AMOROSO, GREGORY | 10548-L | 8761(d); 8762(b)(4); 8780(b) | 2/6/2017 | \$2,000 | |
| AMOROSO, GREGORY | 10547-L | 8761(d); 8762(c); 8767 | 2/6/2017 | \$1,500 | |
| CANUMAY, PAUL | 10560-L | 8759(a); 8767 | 3/20/2017 | \$1,000 | Paid |
| CHADHA, INDERJIT | 10517-L | 6775(d),(h); 6738(i); 6749(a); 6775.2 | 1/12/2017 | \$5,000 | |
| CHRISTENSEN, PAUL | 10557-L | 6749(a); 6775(b) | 3/10/2017 | \$1,000 | Paid |
| FARLEY, MICHAEL | 10550-L | 8729(i); 8759(a); 8765(d); 8772; 8780(b) | 2/10/2017 | \$2,500 | |
| JANUSZEWSKI, VINCENT | 10545-L | 8759(a)(3),(4),(5); 8762(c); 8780(g) | 2/6/2017 | \$2,500 | |
| KEANE, DAVID | 10356-L | 8759(a)(3),(4),(5); 8762(c); 8780(b) | 1/6/2017 | \$3,000 | |
| KUTKA, RAYMOND | 10542-L | 6787(d) | 1/4/2017 | \$3,000 | Paid |
| QUIJANO, EPIFANIO | 10543-L | 6735(a); 6749(a)(3),(4),(5) | 3/27/2017 | \$750 | Paid |
| RENFRO, JAMES | 10565-L | 8759(a)(4),(5); 8762(c); 8767; 8780(b),(g) | 3/29/2017 | \$1,500 | Paid |
| RHOADES, DANIEL | 10374-L | 6749(a); 6775(c),(f) | 1/6/2017 | \$2,500 | Paid |
| SORENSEN, RONALD | CG 2015-03 | 7830(c)(1) | 2/3/2017 | \$2,500 | |
| XU, DAVID | 10522-L | 6787(a) | 1/3/2017 | \$500 | |

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Citations Issued to Unlicensed Individuals: Fiscal Year 2016–17 (January–March)

Citations are an alternative to criminal prosecutions that the Board can use to enforce the laws prohibiting the unlicensed practice of engineering, land surveying, geology, and geophysics, or other activities for which a license is required. When a fine is levied with a citation, payment of the fine does not constitute admission of any violations charged but represents a satisfactory resolution of the matter pursuant to Business and Professions Code Section 125.9(d). Code sections numbered in the 6700s, 7800s, and 8700s refer to the Business and Professions Code; those numbered in the 400s and 3000s refer to Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations. You can look up the code sections and read the laws on the Board’s website, www.bpelsg.ca.gov/laws/index.shtml. All final citations are matters of public record. For a copy of the final citation order or if you have any questions, you may contact the Board’s Enforcement Unit at BPELSG.Enforcement.Information@dca.ca.gov or (916) 263-2284. Please include the name of the cited person and the citation number in your request.

| Cited Person | Citation No. | Violation Code Section(s) | Date Final | Fine Amount | Status of Fine |
|------------------|--------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------|----------------|
| BALLOWE, JOCK | 10396-U | 6732; 6787(f) | 1/6/2017 | \$1,500 | |
| DIAZ, ABELARDO | 10538-U | 6787(a); 8792(a) | 2/17/2017 | \$1,000 | Paid |
| FISHBERG, KEVIN | 10551-U | 6787(a),(g) | 3/10/2017 | \$1,000 | |
| FISHBERG, MARTIN | 10552-U | 6787(a),(g) | 3/10/2017 | \$1,000 | |
| GHALCHI, FRED | 10558-U | 8792(a) | 3/10/2017 | \$1,000 | Paid |
| MCCALL, PHILLIP | 10541-U | 6787(a),(d) | 1/4/2017 | \$3,500 | Paid |

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There are several proposed regulation changes by BPELSG that are moving through various stages of the rulemaking process. These are always reported on at the Board meetings, and the status is posted on the BPELSG website at www.bpelsg.ca.gov/about_us/rulemaking.shtml. I encourage each of you to monitor these efforts and comment during the official public comment periods so that BPELSG can hear your concerns.

Please take the time to peruse this edition of the Board’s *Bulletin*. And please sign up for BPELSG’s e-mail subscriber list. It can be found at www.bpelsg.ca.gov under “Quick Hits.” This is the simplest way for practicing professionals, applicants, and others to stay in touch with what’s happening at BPELSG.

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Formal Administrative Disciplinary Decisions: Fiscal Year 2016–17 (January–March)

A formal disciplinary decision is considered formal administrative disciplinary action against a licensee. It results from the Board's adoption of a proposed decision prepared by an administrative law judge following a hearing, a stipulated settlement agreement, or a default decision following a full investigation and the filing of an accusation. An accusation is a formal legal document that notifies a licensee of the Board's charges and allegations of violations against the licensee and that requests a disciplinary order be issued. The licensee is entitled to contest the charges at a formal hearing before an administrative law judge or to agree to a stipulated settlement. A final disciplinary decision contains findings and determinations or statements of advisements, waivers, and culpability and a disciplinary order. If there are findings of violations, the order may include revocation or suspension of the license, a stayed revocation or suspension of the license with a probationary period and terms and conditions or probation, or a public reproof. In the alternative, the decision may find that no violations or violations of a de minimus nature occurred and order the dismissal of the accusation. All final disciplinary decisions are matters of public record. For a copy of the final decision or if you have any questions, you may contact the Board's Enforcement Unit at BPESLG.Enforcement.Information@dca.ca.gov or (916) 263-2284. Please include the name of the respondent and the case number in your request.

| Respondent | Case Number | Effective Date | Disciplinary Order |
|-----------------------|-------------|----------------|--|
| BARTON, BRUCE | 1047-A | 1/6/2017 | Revocation, stayed; probation |
| BROWN, ROBERT KEITH | 863-A | 1/6/2017 | Voluntary surrender of license |
| CHILTON, JAMES ELMORE | 1135-A | 1/6/2017 | Revocation, stayed; probation |
| CORPUZ, FRANKLIN | 1130-A | 3/10/2017 | Voluntary surrender of license |
| DIVINA, RAFAEL | 854-A | 1/6/2017 | Public reproof |
| FISHER, MARK | 985-A | 3/10/2017 | Revocation, stayed; probation |
| GALLARDO, KENNETH | 1110-A | 3/10/2017 | Revocation, stayed; probation |
| GRAVES, C. BRYAN | 1085-A | 1/6/2017 | Revocation, stayed; probation |
| KAKAVAS, MICHAEL | 1137-A | 1/6/2017 | Public reproof |
| KETRON, DOUGLAS | 1113-A | 1/6/2017 | Voluntary surrender of pre-82 civil engineer license; issuance of new civil engineer license |
| KHATRI, DILIP | 964-A | 1/6/2017 | Revocation, stayed; probation |
| NICKOLAS, KEVIN | 1117-A | 1/6/2017 | Revocation, stayed; probation |

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Definitions: Outcomes of Formal Administrative Disciplinary Decisions

Public Reproval: The licensee is sent a letter of public reproval advising him or her of the violations. The letter is a matter of public record, and a copy will be provided upon request. There are no restrictions on the right to practice, nor is the licensee on probation. This action constitutes formal administrative disciplinary action against the license (and is not the same as a citation).

Revocation, Stayed; Probation: The order of revocation of the license has been stayed (put on hold), and the licensee has been placed on probation for a specified period of time with terms and conditions. If probation is successfully completed, the license will be fully restored. If the probation is violated, the Board can pursue further action to terminate the stay and impose the order of revocation.

Revoked or Revocation of License: The license is terminated, and the right to practice is ended.

Suspended: The licensee is prohibited from practicing for a specific period of time.

Voluntary Surrender or Surrender of License: The license has been voluntarily returned to the Board, and the right to practice has ended. This action constitutes formal administrative disciplinary action against the license.

In Memoriam

In celebration of the lives and contributions of the following professionals, the Board would like to recognize professionals licensed as engineers, land surveyors, or geologists who recently passed away. Below is a list of individuals who have departed between January and March 2017. This list may not include all those who have recently passed away as we rely on information from the public, other licensees, and family members. Please contact the Board regarding individuals who have recently passed.

| Name | License | Years of Service |
|-----------------------|---------|------------------|
| Engineer | | |
| David Alfred Art | E 11523 | 33 |
| Mohammad Reza Baharno | M 27734 | 24 |
| William B. Dye | C 14300 | 54 |
| Herbert Gurzinski | MF 3549 | 39 |
| Louis A. Hecq | M 6589 | 68 |
| Norman Yik-Yeung Lee | M 21419 | 35 |
| Robert Lance Nelson | C 10292 | 60 |
| Mario Louis Veneroso | C 37349 | 33 |

| Name | License | Years of Service |
|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Geologist | | |
| Victor Conrad Andresen | GEO 4829 | 27 |
| Land Surveyor | | |
| Delwyn C. Rasmussen | L 2689 | 66 |
| Richard Paul Siegmund | L 3490 | 50 |
| Multiple Licenses | | |
| Glenard W. Rodgers | C 12022 / TR 567 | 57 / 39 |

Legislation and Regulation News and Updates

Every legislative session, the Board tracks and analyzes bills that potentially impact the Board's operations, the licensed professions the Board regulates, and the statutes that determine that authority. We consistently strive to identify, analyze, and advertise at public Board meetings the bills introduced that may change the landscape of our statutory authority.

For more information on upcoming Board meetings and to download meeting materials, go to www.bpelsg.ca.gov/about_us/meetings/index.shtml. The following is a summary of tracked legislation and current regulations:

Legislation

Assembly Bill (AB) 703 – Professions and vocations: licenses: fee waivers (military spouses) http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB703

AB 710 – Department of Consumer Affairs: boards: meetings http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB710

AB 1005 – Professions and vocations: fines: relief http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1005

AB 1190 – Department of Consumer Affairs: BreEZe system: annual report http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1190

Senate Bill 27 – Professions and vocations: licenses: military service http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB27

Regulations

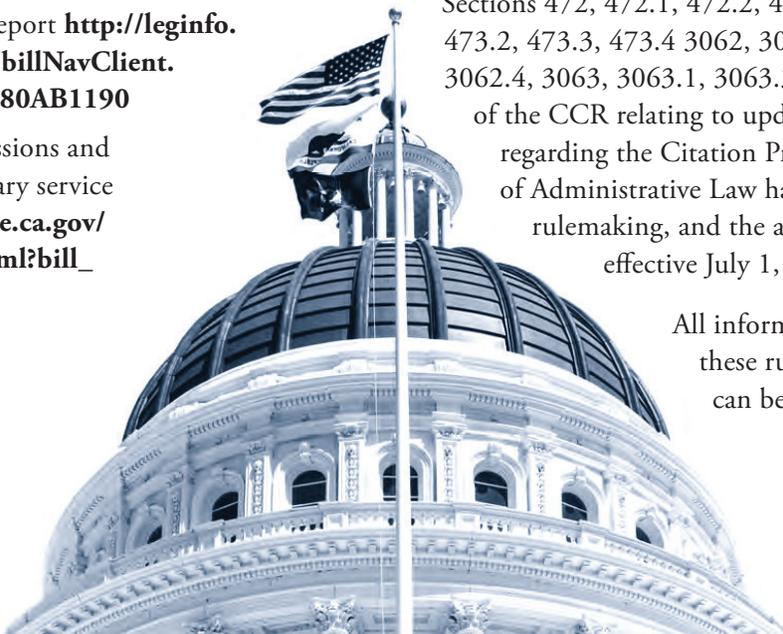
The Board submitted a rulemaking proposal to amend Section 425 of Title 16, Division 5, of the California Code of Regulations (CCR) regarding reasonable educational or experience requirements necessary to qualify for the professional land surveyor license. The Notice was published in the California Regulatory Notice Register on August 12, 2016 (Register 2016, No. Z-2016-0802-09).

The Board submitted a rulemaking proposal to repeal Sections 3036.1, 3036.2, 3037.1, and 3037.2 of Title 16, Division 29, of the CCR relating to examination appeals for geophysicists, specialty geologists, and geophysicists. The Office of Administrative Law has approved this rulemaking, and the repeal of these sections will be effective July 1, 2017.

The Board submitted a rulemaking proposal to amend Sections 426.10, 426.14, and 426.50 of Title 16, Division 5, of the CCR relating to structural and geotechnical engineer qualifying experience. The Office of Administrative Law has approved this rulemaking, and the amendments will be effective July 1, 2017.

The Board submitted a rulemaking proposal to amend Sections 472, 472.1, 472.2, 472.3, 472.4, 473, 473.1, 473.2, 473.3, 473.4, 3062, 3062.1, 3062.2, 3062.3, 3062.4, 3063, 3063.1, 3063.3, and 3063.4 of Title 16 of the CCR relating to updating language regarding the Citation Program. The Office of Administrative Law has approved this rulemaking, and the amendments will be effective July 1, 2017.

All information pertaining to these rulemaking proposals can be found on the Board's



Board Speakers Available

The Board continues in its efforts to reach out to groups interested in any of the broad array of Board functions. As part of this outreach effort, we have speakers available to present at meetings and events; speakers include Executive Officer Ric Moore, PLS; Assistant Executive Officer Nancy Eissler; Enforcement Manager Tiffany Criswell; Senior Registrar Susan Christ, P.E.; Senior Registrar Mike Donelson, P.E.; Senior Land Surveyor Registrar Dallas Sweeney, PLS; and Senior Registrar for Geologists and Geophysicists Laurie Racca, P.G.

Our Enforcement, Licensing, Examination, and Outreach Units all have speakers authorized to represent the Board. To request a speaker, we will need the following information: size of group, location, time, length and type of presentation, and proposed subject matter. Appropriate advance notice is always appreciated. Current and former Board members may also appear on the Board's behalf, depending on availability.

For more information, contact the Outreach Administrator at the Board, Brooke Phayer, at Brooke.Phayer@dca.ca.gov or (916) 263-2239.

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Board Calendar

JULY

7/4: Independence Day–Board Office Closed

7/10: PE/PLS/Pg/PgP Re-Exam Filing Date
(Fall 2017 Exams)

7/27–28: Board Meeting

AUGUST

8/23–26: NCEES Annual Meeting

SEPTEMBER

9/4: Labor Day–Board
Office Closed

9/21–22: Board Meeting

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BULLETIN



Social Media: Board Facebook and Twitter Pages

The Board is asking for your help in getting the word out regarding the launch of its Facebook and Twitter pages. The Board is now posting information of interest to postsecondary institutions and students on a regular basis. This information includes regulatory changes, updates to our website, interesting articles, useful resources, and a host of other Board-related data.

For those institutions that communicate with students through e-mail or some other means, we invite you to share this information with them. The Board is anxious to use these social media outlets as an ongoing way to reach our stakeholders. Thank you for your assistance in spreading the word.

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