Kansas State Board of Technical Professions



Welcome to Our New Director Shelby Lopez



Inside this issue

The Kansas State Board of Technical Professions has named Shelby Lopez its new Executive Director to lead their efforts in providing maximum protection of the health, safety, property and welfare of the people of Kansas by maintaining a high standard of integrity, skills and practice in the technical professions. Shelby replaces Mary Leigh Dyck who retired December 2015. We would like to thank Mary Leigh for her dedicated service and wish her well in her retirement.

An experienced administrator, Shelby previously served as Executive Director for the Kansas Volunteer Commission where she worked to strengthen the role of service and volunteering to meet critical community needs. Most recently, she was a practice manager at St. Francis where she managed the daily business operations of two specialty clinics, improving quality and patient satisfaction.

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Kansas Geologist Elected President of ASBOG

On January 1, 2016, Robert W. Henthorne began his term on the ASBOG Executive Committee as President.

Robert W. Henthorne was appointed to the KSBTP on August 8, 2011. He is the Chief Geologist for the Kansas Department of Transportation, Executive Director of the Shallow Exploration Drillers Clinic, member of the Transportation Research Board Committee on Aggregates, member of the Association of Environmental and Engineering Geologists, Kansas State University CIT Instructor and a member of the KSU Geology Advisory Council. He is the past chairman of Transportation Research Board Committee on Exploration and Classification of Earth Materials and of the Highway Geology Symposium. Mr. Henthorne is also active with various other geologic programs in conjunction with KU, KSU, FHSU and the Kansas Geologic Survey.

Mr. Henthorne is the 2015-2016 KSBTP Vice Chair. His term expires on June 30, 2019.





Upcoming Dates	
PE/PS Exam	April 15, 2016
KSS Exam	April 15, 2016
Spring Board Meeting	April 29, 2016
Notice of Public Hearing	May 11, 2016

Spring Renewal Dates	
PS Renewals Due	March 31, 2016
PE Renewals Due	April 30, 2016
Architects Renewals Due	June 30, 2016
PG Renewals Due	June 30, 2016

Exam Date	Board Filing Date
Professional Engineering	June 15, 2016
Professional Surveyor	June 15, 2016
Kansas State Specific	June 18, 2016
Fundamentals of Geology & Professional Geology	July 15, 2016

Upcoming Deadlines

Board & Staff

Board Members

Steve Brosemer, P.S., Chair Robert Henthorne, P.G., Vice Chair George Barbee, Public Member Maurice Bowersox, P.E. Forrest Erickson, P.E. Larry Graham, P.E., P.S. Richard Hayter, Ph.D., P.E. David Hoffman, Architect Vince Mancini, Architect Carisa McMullen, L.A. Wendy Ornelas, Architect Tim Sloan, P.S. Eric Wimmer, Architect

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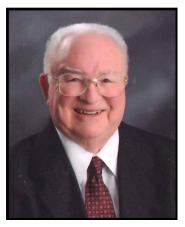
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The Mission of the Kansas State Board of Technical Professions is to provide maximum protection of the health, safety, property and welfare of the people of Kansas by assuring that the practice of architecture, engineering, geology, landscape architecture 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.

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 SOUTHWEST ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

Summary: In February 2015 the Kansas State Board of Technical Professions received a report of alleged violation regarding Southwest Environmental Engineering. That report indicated that said company had engaged in work in the State of Kansas to develop a remedial design plan to remediate soil and groundwater contamination with petroleum products without benefit of licensure or a certificate of authorization as required by Kansas statutes.

Board Action: The Board and Southwest Environmental Engineering resolved this matter by way of a Settlement Agreement and Consent Order which contained the following settlement terms:

- Southwest Environmental Engineering shall immediately cease and desist from practicing, 1. offering to practice, or holding itself out as authorized to practice the technical profession of engineering in Kansas until such time as it has obtained a certificate of authorization to do so.
- 2. Southwest Environmental Engineering shall immediately cease and desist from using any letterheads, business cards, websites, or any other advertisements or other written representations including telephone book listings which refer to it as providing engineering services until such time as it has obtained a certificate of authorization allowing it to practice engineering in the State of Kansas.
- Southwest Environmental Engineering shall pay a fine of \$500.00 and all expenses of the 3. Board, including attorney fees incurred by the Board in the investigation and prosecution of the matter in the amount of \$750.00 for a total of \$1,250.00.

Status: The fine and costs required by the Settlement Agreement and Consent Order have been paid in full.

IN THE MATTER OF VERTEX CONSULTING STRUCTURAL **ENGINEERS**

Summary: In mid-2015 the Kansas State Board of Technical Professions received information that Vertex Consulting Structural Engineers, which is located in Scottsdale, Arizona, had been involved in providing engineering services for a gymnasium for the Syracuse, Kansas U.S.D. 494. As a result of receiving said information, the board had the matter investigated by one of its licensed engineering investigators, and the allegations were confirmed.

Board Action: The Board and Vertex resolved this matter by way of a Settlement Agreement and

Consent Order which contained the following terms:

- Vertex Consulting Structural Engineers admitted that it had engaged in the practice of engineering in the State of Kansas without benefit of licensure.
- 2. Vertex shall immediately cease and desist from practicing, offering to practice, or holding itself out as authorized to practice engineering in the State of Kansas until such time as it has obtained a certificate of authorization to do so.
- 3. Vertex shall cease and desist from using any letterhead, business cards, websites, or any advertisements, including telephone book listings which refer to it as an engineering firm or providing engineering services in the State of Kansas.
- Vertex shall pay a fine in the amount of \$500.00 and the Board's expenses in the amount of \$200.00 for a total fine and costs of \$700.00 4.

Status: The fine and costs required by the Settlement Agreement and Consent Order have been paid in full.

IN THE MATTER OF RANDOLPH S. PIERSALL

Summary: In March 2015 Mr. Piersall submitted documentation necessary to renew his Kansas license to practice engineering. Mr. Piersall included in that documentation a letter advising the Kansas Board that he had been disciplined by the Ohio State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers, which resulted in him being placed on probation with no further action pending or contemplated.

Board Action: The Board and Mr. Piersall resolved this matter by way of a Settlement Agreement and Consent Order which contained the following settlement terms:

Respondent's Kansas engineering license will be placed on probation for the same time period that he was placed on probation for by the 1. Ohio Board, which is for a two year period commencing on April 29, 2014. Thus, Mr. Piersall's Kansas license was placed on probation for a period of time, which will be concluded on April 29, 2016.

Keynote Speaker



The Licensure Recognition Ceremony for newly licensed Architects, Landscape Architects, Professional Engineers, Professional Geologists and Professional Surveyors was held on February 19, 2016, 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 many family, friends, supervisors and mentors. 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 Tom C. Roberts, P.E., FASEE, FNSPE.

Tom has more than 40 years' experience in planning, organizational development, and leadership training programs. He worked for Black & Veatch for 16 years (including 11 years in human resources) and was responsible for engineering recruitment & leadership development at Kansas State University for 21 years.

He formed Upward Consulting in 1989 and has served as a continuous quality improvement consultant for a number of manufacturing & service companies and educational institutions. Tom has presented information on systems thinking, professional development and our changing society to a wide variety of national audiences.

Tom is past-president of the Kansas Society of Professional Engineers (KSPE) and served nationally as first vice president of the American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE). He is past chair of the KSPE Government Relations Committee. Tom currently serves on the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE) Executive Committee as Vice President and will be NSPE President in 2017-18. He also serves as Vice President Strategic Planning and Programs for the Boy Scouts of America Coronado Area Council.

Tom's remarks at the ceremony focused on "The Importance of Licensure and the Engineering Profession." His remarks included key information related to K-12 STEM initiatives and the impact of engineering on the economy. He offered suggestions for "Changing the Conversation" and improving the public's understanding of the engineering profession.

The next semi-annual licensure recognition ceremony will be held on July 15, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. The ceremony is a partnership between the Board, the Kansas Society of Professional Engineers, the Kansas Society of Land Surveyors, the Association of Environmental and Engineering Geologists, the American Institute of Architects in Kansas, and the Prairie Gateway Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects. The ceremony is to honor those individuals who have passed their licensing exams. New licensees will receive an invitation by mail. Family members, supervisors, mentors and members of their firms are invited to help celebrate this important step in their career.



Professional Licensure Recognition Ceremony

NCEES News

NCEES hosts forum to strengthen future of surveying profession

January 29, 2016

The NCEES Future of Surveying Forum, held January 22 in San Diego, California, brought together representatives from 18 surveying-related organizations to identify key elements and strategies to strengthen the future of the surveying profession. This is the first time organizations with varying perspectives on the profession have come together to discuss its challenges and collaborate on increasing the number of professional surveyors.

A significant element identified during the forum is improving the image of the profession. Participants believe boosting the profession's image and increasing public awareness will help keep surveying relevant in the future. Other important elements include addressing changes in technology and the varying definitions of the practice of surveying.

Some of the strategies identified to address these elements include rebranding the profession to promote an updated image and increase public understanding of surveying and developing a consistent message to support the new image.

"Collaboration within the profession is crucial to reversing the declining number of professional surveyors," explained NCEES Chief Executive Officer Jerry Carter. "Working together to create a consistent message for everyone to use will provide a more effective approach to addressing this issue. The full forum report will provide recommendations on how professional organizations can continue what we started with this meeting."

Updated Applications & Forms

We recently updated all of our applications and forms. Make sure you are using the most up-todate forms from our website. Currently, those forms show a "2016.1" in the corner of the application.

KSBTP - By the Numbers 2/9/2016

Professions	January 2015	February 2016
Architects	2828	2860
Professional Engineers	12112	12378
Landscape Architects	397	381*
Professional Surveyors	749	726*
Professional Geologists	647	640
Total	16733	16985
Business Entities		
Architecture	642	667*
Engineering	1658	1704*
Landscape Architecture	66	70*
Land Surveying	185	181*
Geology	98	101*
Total	2649	2723

* Still in renewal, numbers may change as renewal times complete

Professional Surveyors and Professional Engineers with Last Names A-L <u>Watch for Your Renewal Notice!</u>

Professional Surveyors whose last names begin with A-L should have received notice of renewal in early February. Your license will expire on March 31, 2016. Renew your license on line on the Board's website at <u>www.ksbtp.ks.gov</u>

Professional Engineers whose names begin with A-L should also have received notice of renewal in early March. Your license will expire on April 30, 2016. Renew your license on line on the Board's website at <u>www.ksbtp.ks.gov</u>

Only licensees can ask to have your "address of record" changed in our system. Address corrections received from returned mail will not be substituted for the last address you provided to the Board Office. License cancellations often occur because of an outdated mailing address.

Do you have a current address listed with the Board Office? Renewal notices are mailed to the address on record. If you have moved or changed jobs since your last renewal and have not notified the Board of your new address, do so now! Be sure to notify the Board office whenever your mailing address needs to be updated. "It's the law." K.S.A. 74-7025 states ". . . The licensee shall notify the board in writing of any change of address within 30 days after the date of such change. ..."

Notice of Public Hearing

A public hearing will be conducted on Wednesday, May 11, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 510 of the Landon State Office Building, 900 SW Jackson, Topeka, Kansas to consider the adoption of proposed changes to existing rules and regulations (K.A.R. 66-6-1) of the Board of Technical Professions.

This 60-day notice of public hearing constitutes a public comment period for the purpose of receiving written public comments on the proposed regulations. All interested parties may submit written comments prior to the hearing to the Board of Technical Professions, Suite 507, Landon State Office Building, 900 SW Jackson, Topeka, Kansas 66612, or by email to <u>shelby.lopez@ks.gov</u>. All interested parties will be given a reasonable opportunity to present their views on the adoption of the proposed regulations orally during the hearing. In order to give all parties an opportunity to present their views, it may be necessary to request each participant to limit any oral presentation to five minutes.



Any individual with a disability may request accommodation in order to participate in the public hearing and may request the proposed regulations and economic impact statement in an accessible format. Requests for accommodation should be made at least five working days in advance of the hearing by contacting Shelby Lopez at 785-296-3055 or by email at shelby.lopez@ks.gov.

Copies of the proposed regulations and the economic impact statement for the proposed regulations may be obtained by contacting the board office, by email request to <u>shelby.lopez@ks.gov.</u>

Welcome to Our New Director Shelby Lopez (cont'd)

Shelby is a life-long Kansas resident. She attended Washburn University and earned a Doctor of Chiropractic degree at Cleveland Chiropractic College in Kansas City. After graduation, Shelby joined AmeriCorps VISTA, a national service program to fight poverty in America, serving the Brown Foundation in Topeka. This service opportunity rekindled a life-long interest in public service and was the starting point in her public service career. Shelby continues on the path laid by her national service experience serving as Chair of the Foster Grandparent Program at Kansas Neurological Institute and volunteering with Silverbackks.

Changes to the Kansas State Specific Exam schedule

The Kansas Board will start to offer more dates throughout the year to administer the Kansas State Specific Exam. Look for updates <u>on our website</u> regarding upcoming dates.

The KSBTP is pleased to announce the following individuals have successfully passed the required examinations and are now licensed.

Architect Registration Examination

Brian D. Ashworth, II Teresa D. Burk Geoffrey S Cheong Laura B Cochran Brian J Crawford David L Escov David W Folsom Brian H. Hertz Erica L Hertz James A Ice Joshua J Johnson Amy M Kinderknecht Amanda E Moore Ann M Motycka Donald M Neibling Kelly L Neiling Ashley White Sadowski Kyle R Schleicher Mariah H Scott Benjamin Thowe Sarah G Thyparambil Cameron M. Tross Allison L Wonder Christopher R Woods Todd A Woolsoncroft

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Landscape Architect Registration Examination

Joshua L Erhart Jared D Merz Spring Hill KS Oklahoma City OK

Practice of Geology Examination

John D Barker Jason T Kolb Topeka KS El Dorado KS

Prin & Prac of Surveying Examination

Matthew R Cox Christopher F Ihde Matthew B Schepmann Kevin R Sontag Gardner KS Olathe KS Kansas City KS Eudora KS

Prin & Prac of Engineering Examination

Ryan B Albrecht Richard Ammel Caleb A Baker Jonathan T Baker William B Battey

Peck KS Great Bend KS Olathe KS Kansas City MO Overland Park KS Hugh E Baugher James W Becker Jeffrey M Bell Aaron H Boehmler Jared W Brooks Clarence J Brown Erica D Brunkow Charles E Carrillo Andrew A Conard Thomas A Congdon Rachel C Crabtree Julian D Davenport Dexter R Deeds Christopher J Douglas Thomas A Dow Douglas L Duncan Matthew J Eichman Colby L Farlow Scott A Fischer Carol K Fittell Jared S Flott Corey A Forte Nicole Franken Brandon W Fuqua Cedric N Green Caleb R Gronewold Rvan J Hamel Michael T Hare **Daniel P Hartness** Brian J Herr Brett R Holt Kevin J Hudson Kimberly M Landon Nicholas S Landon Jonathan R Leffert Remy Daniel Lequesne Xiao Liang Charles D Loughman Ethan Luebbe Luke R Massoth Angela J McNeely Aaron G Mickelson Tammer Mosa David M Nelson Logan C Nesseth Thomas S Northup Paul Oruoch Garret S Pike Christine A Polo Joshua M Rausin Nikesh Regmi Nicholas A Ries

Olathe KS Kansas City MO Overland Park KS Lawrence KS Saint George KS Olathe KS Overland Park KS Shawnee KS Roeland Park KS Kansas City MO Merriam KS Dallas TX Kansas City MO Platte City MO Lawrence KS **Overland Park KS** Lawrence KS Lawrence KS **Overland Park KS** Lawrence KS Lenexa KS Lenexa KS Haysville KS McPherson KS Atwood KS **Overland Park KS** Olathe KS Roeland Park KS Lawrence KS Olathe KS Kansas City MO Shawnee KS Lenexa KS Lenexa KS Olathe KS Lawrence KS Prairie Village KS Lenexa KS **Overland Park KS** Wichita KS Leawood KS Olathe KS **Overland Park KS Overland Park KS Overland Park KS** Kansas City KS Shawnee KS Wichita KS Kansas City MO Olathe KS Olathe KS **Overland Park KS**

KSBTP Certificates of Authorization for Business Entities October 14, 2015-March 3, 2016

ENGINEERS

Pure Technologies U.S. Inc.	E-2625
Jimco Sales and Manufacturing, Inc.	E-2626
Nexius Solutions Inc.	E-2627
Fusion Industries, LLC	E-2628
Haltom Engineering, LLC	E-2629
Proficient Engineering, Inc.	E-2630
Sand Creek Consultants, Inc.	E-2631
Energy Squared Texas LLC	E-2632
Terra Consulting, Ltd.	E-2633
Westlake Consultants, Inc.	E-2634
Precision Structural	
Engineering, Inc	E-2635
Drietz Natural Resource	
Engineering, LLC	E-2636
Reese Tower Services, Inc.	E-2637
Ardent Geotechnical	
Consultants LLC	E-2638
HPMB Consulting Engineers, Inc.	E-2639
Delta Oaks Group, PLLC	E-2640
RTM Engineering Consultants, LLC	E-2641
Novate Solutions Inc	E-2642
K2M Design, Inc.	E-2643
Rohn Products, LLC	E-2644
Applied Technical Service Inc	E-2645
Schnabel Engineering, LLC	E-2646
AWS Truepower, LLC	E-2647
Standard Structures Inc.	E-2648
Atlantic Engineering Services LLC	E-2649
Starling Madison Lofquist, Inc.	E-2650
Baldridge Engineering, LLC	E-2651
Pfefferkorn Engineering &	
Environmental LLC	E-2652
Panhandle Geotechnical &	
Environmental Inc.	E-2653
Vertex Consulting Structural	
Engineers, LLC	E-2654
Resolute Engineering, LLC	E-2655
Chipola Engineering Group, Inc.	E-2656
Savant Engineering, LLC	E-2657
KFW Management, LLC	E-2658
Roundtable Engineering	-
Solutions, LLC.	E-2659
Lehigh Valley Technical	-
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Bedeschi Mid-West		
Conveyor, LLC.	E-2661	
Site Solution Professionals, Inc.	E-2662	
Power of Design Group, LLC	E-2663	
Dekat Consulting Services LLC	E-2664	
RETTEW Associates, Inc.	E-2665	
Firetower Engineered Timber, Inc.	E-2666	
Stockwell Engineers, Inc.	E-2667	
CFE Engineering Services, P.C.	E-2668	
Static Engineering Solutions, LLC	E-2669	
Envirobusiness, Inc	E-2670	
Guni Design & Logistics	E-2671	
Ducks Unlimited, Inc.	E-2672	
Griffin Dewatering, LLC	E-2673	
ARCHITECTURE		
Fisher and Arnold, Inc.	A-1098	
NorthPoint Development, LLC	A-1099	
Tilsley & Associates Architects, LLC	A-1100	
Kenney Lee Architecture Group Inc	A-1101	
Aiello Architecture Design, Inc.	A-1102	
ADA Architects, Inc.	A-1102	
Odimo LLC	A-1103	
Travois Design and Construction	A-1104	
-	A-1105	
Services, LLC		
Studio A Architecture, LLC	A-1106	
Liquid Design	A-1107	
CH2M Hill Engineers, Inc.	A-1108	
Powers Brown Architecture of		
Texas, LLC	A-1109	
SURVEYING		
Miller Engineers, Inc. dba		
C	LS-309	
Souder, Miller & Associates		
Stockwell Engineers, Inc.	LS-310	
Mason Surveying & Consulting, Inc.	LS-311	
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE		
Fisher and Arnold, Inc.	LA-108	
Weaver & Associates PA	LA-109	
Hellmuth, Obata & Kassabaum, Inc.	LA-110	
VSM, LLC	LA-111	
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LLC	
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TO: Stueve Construction, LLC	
MFRA, Inc.	E-2031
TO: Sambatek, Inc.	
Peters Tschantz & Associates Inc	E-2034
TO: PTA Engineering, Inc.	
UC Service Corporation	E-2194
TO: United Conveyor Corporation	
Foster Wheeler USA Corporation	E-2242
TO: Amec Foster Wheeler	
Corporation	
Terra Inspections, Inc.	G-36
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Taylor & Associates Inc	LS-6
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dba EAS Resources	
Percheron Survey, LLC	LS-283
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Services LLC	
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Apex Envirotech, Inc.	G-87