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Illinois Structural Engineering Board mourns the loss of Board Member

It is with great sadness that we share the passing of David Bibbs, member of the Structural Engineer Board.



Dave served on the Illinois SE Board since February 6, 2011, serving on many sub-committees during that time and as Chair & Vice-Chair for several years. He was instrumental in advancing several key changes to streamline the profession's licensure process.

He took great pride in his professional work and was known for being extremely passionate about his position on the Board. Whether it was reviewing acceptable structural courses, discussing experience questions or reviewing evidence of an alleged violation of the Act, Dave ensured every person was treated fairly and equally.

The structural engineering profession in Illinois is one of the best in the country because of Dave's hard work and service on the Board.

The Department, the Illinois Structural Engineering Board as well as members of the three other Design Profession Boards extend our sincere condolences to his family and note his presence on the Board will be missed.

With Respect,

Kyle Lazell

Design Licensing Manager // Board Liaison

Monthly Enforcement Actions Taken

Information regarding disciplinary actions taken by IDFPR against unlicensed individuals and licensed professionals and businesses are public record and available on our website. Many of these actions are the final outcome of what began as a complaint submitted to the Department.

Recent Enforcement Actions taken in the past few months:

ARCHITECTURE

Terri Crittenden, Evanston, 001015196 - architect license suspended for failure to file and/or pay Illinois state income taxes.

Matthias Jans, Northbrook, 001010159 - architect license suspended for failure to file and/or pay Illinois state income taxes.

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING

John Adams, Carbondale, 061024357 - enrolled professional engineer intern license suspended for failure to file and/or pay Illinois state income taxes.

Keith Cudmore, Glen Ellyn, 061020265 - enrolled professional engineer intern license suspended for failure to file and/or pay Illinois state income taxes.

James Hamilton, Batavia, 061038005 - enrolled professional engineer intern license suspended for failure to file and/or pay Illinois state income taxes.

Muhannad Huneidi, Glen Carbon, 061019431 - enrolled professional engineer intern license suspended for failure to file and/or pay Illinois state income taxes.

Nick LaMarca, Rockford, 061030285 - enrolled professional engineer intern license suspended for failure to file and/or pay Illinois state income taxes.

Richard Marscin, Hoffman Estates, 061034858 - enrolled professional engineer intern license suspended for failure to file and/or pay Illinois state income taxes.

Larry Meyers, Tinley Park, 061029926 - enrolled professional engineer intern license suspended for failure to file and/or pay Illinois state income taxes.

Charles Sowinski, Chicago, 061038087 - enrolled professional engineer intern license suspended for failure to file and/or pay Illinois state income taxes.

Lawrence Thompson, Chicago, 061023115 - enrolled professional engineer intern license suspended for failure to file and/or pay Illinois state income taxes.

License Application Changes

In the last issue, we shared that the application process for the Architect profession was transitioning to a paperless Online format.

The framework and testing for that profession has been completed and dozens of applicants have utilized this method with little to no issue.

Implementing this change has proven to reduce the wait time to receive most licenses by 70% and after a successful launch of the Architect profession, we were able to capitalize on that and officially launch the Online application for the Professional Engineer and Structural Engineer professions.

The Online portal enables applicants to enter required information electronically and once transmitted, applicants may monitor their application status Online as it moves through the review process.

We thank you in advance for your patience as we embark on this new license method and make adjustments as needed based on your feedback.

You may review the qualifications and apply Online for the respective profession below.

[Online Architect Application](#)

[Online Professional Eng. Application](#)

[Online Structural Eng. Application](#)

Paper versions of the license applications will remain available; however, please note that it may take at least 4-6 weeks before the application is received in the Design Unit for initial review by staff prior to official board review, if required.

Expedited Licensure Review Report - 2021 Edition

In 2019, Governor Pritzker signed legislation expediting the license review process for military service members who are an active duty member (or whose active duty service concluded within the preceding two years before application) and their spouses.

The report details the Department's efforts to shepherd service members and their spouses through the licensing process. In 2021, IDFPR's military liaison assisted 862 military service members and their spouses with licensing, more than tripling the number of individuals assisted during the initiative's first year in 2020.

While the 2021 data shows military service members and their spouses engaged in a wide range of professions, applications for registered nurse licenses sharply increased, followed by applications for permanent employee registration cards (unarmed security guards). Along with those two sets of licenses, most applications received were for physician and surgeon, dentist, and cosmetologist licenses.

Per the 2019 Act, IDFPR reviewed submitted applications within 60 days of receiving all required documents and fees. That review time will be halved in 2022, per legislation Governor JB Pritzker signed into law in August 2021.

"We recognize how critical it is for military to have a smooth transition when relocating. The ability to begin working provides immediate peace of mind when a military family moves to a base in Illinois," said Mario Treto, Jr., Acting Secretary of the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. "We are committed to enabling them to work in their chosen profession as soon as possible, while also ensuring the requirements for licensure are still met."

The 2021 published report is available here: <https://idfpr.illinois.gov/Forms/2021%20Annual%20Military%20Report.pdf>

IDFPR Web Address Change

Please note that the Department, along with many other State of Illinois entities will soon migrate to a new web address; however, you should not notice any difference in the way that you use the website or access any of the files/forms.

New address: www.idfpr.illinois.gov

Upcoming Board Meetings

The public is invited to attend the open session of our Board Meetings to gain a better understanding of the current topics and issues prevalent in the respective professions as well as how the Board is working to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the public are being protected.

Note: As unforeseen issues may occur, always check the Department website to ensure that the Board is meeting and at what location.

May

Architect Board, 5/20/2022

Structural Engineering Board, 5/25/2022

Professional Engineering Board, 5/26/2022

Prof. Land Surveyor Board, 5/27/2022

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