TEXAS BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS May 16, 2024, Board Meeting Disciplinary & Administrative Actions

David John Tsang, P.E. #101303, Oronoco, MN; Case Number D-42160

Violation: Mr. Tsang was disciplined by another jurisdiction after he practiced engineering in that jurisdiction while his license was expired. The disciplinary action was on a matter that would constitute a violation of the Texas Engineering Practice Act or board rules. Specifically, Mr. Tsang signed or affixed a seal on any document or product when the license was inactive or had been revoked, suspended, or had expired. Mr. Tsang did not properly and promptly notify the Board he had been disciplined by another jurisdiction's regulatory agency. **Act/Rule Violated:** 22 Tex. Admin Code §§137.37(a)(2), 137.5(c), and 137.65(b). **Resolution:** Formal Reprimand.

Raja Sleiman El-Awar, P.E. #110549, Hunt Valley, MD Case Number D-42212

Violation: Mr. El-Awar was disciplined by another jurisdiction after he practiced engineering in that jurisdiction while his license was expired. The disciplinary action was on a matter that would constitute a violation of the Texas Engineering Practice Act or board rules. Specifically, Mr. El-Awar signed or affixed a seal on any document or product when the license was inactive or had been revoked, suspended, or had expired. Mr. El-Awar did not properly and promptly notify the Board he had been disciplined by another jurisdiction's regulatory agency. **Act/Rule Violated:** 22 Tex. Admin Code §§137.37(a)(2), 137.5(c), and 137.65(b). **Resolution:** Formal Reprimand.

Elmer Kenneth Corbin, Austin, TX; Case Number E-42569

Violation: Mr. Corbin, a former license holder, identified himself as a "professional engineer" without holding an active license. Mr. Corbin used a combination of words that tended to or was likely to create an impression with the public that he was qualified or authorized to engage in the practice of engineering without actively holding a license. **Act/Rule Violated:** Tex. Occ. Code §§1001.301(b)(2) and 1001.301(c). **Resolution:** Cease and Desist Order.

Thomas Steven Martin, Mineola, TX; Case Number B-41626

Violation: Mr. Martin engaged in the practice of professional surveying without being registered, licensed, or certified.

Act/Rule Violated: Tex. Occ. Code §1071.251(b).

Resolution: Cease and Desist Order and Administrative Penalty of \$1,500.

Otto Danysh, Victoria, TX; Case Number B-42039

Violation: Mr. Danysh engaged in the practice of professional surveying without being registered, licensed, or certified.

Act/Rule Violated: Tex. Occ. Code §1071.251(b).

Resolution: Cease and Desist Order and Administrative Penalty of \$1,000.

Larry James Pollok, R.P.L.S. #5186, Hobson, TX; Case Number D-40947

Violation: Mr. Pollok failed to follow the documented records of the land title affecting the boundaries being surveyed by failing to rely on the appropriate deeds and/or other

documents including those for adjoining parcels for the location of the boundaries of the subject parcel(s) when delineating a boundary line as an integral portion of a survey. **Act/Rule Violated:** 22 Tex. Admin. Code §663.16(3)(A). **Resolution:** Reprimand and Administrative Penalty of \$1,500.00.

Benjamin John Jauma, R.P.L.S. #6417, Houston, TX; Case Number D-41657

Violation: Mr. Jauma released preliminary documents from his control without identifying the purpose of the document, the land surveyor of record and the land surveyor's registration number, and the release date. Mr. Jauma failed to exercise reasonable care to prevent the association of the surveyor's name, professional identification, seal, firm or business name in connection with any venture or enterprise which the surveyor knows, or should have known, is engaging in an action which violates any provision of the Surveying Act or Board Rules. Mr. Jauma aided or abetted, directly or indirectly, any unlicensed person or business entity in the unlawful practice of surveying.

Act/Rule Violated: 22 Tex. Admin Code §§138.33(e), 138.63(b)(3), and 138.63(c)(1). **Resolution:** One Year Probated Suspension and remittance of an Administrative Penalty of \$2,000.

Wayne Brandon Johnson, R.P.L.S. #5424, Ft. Worth, TX; Case Number D-41877

Violation: Mr. Johnson failed to ensure that any Firm employing him complied with the filing requirements set forth in 22 Tex. Admin. Code §661.55(a) by signing and sealing surveying documents with a firm title block that was not registered with the Board. Mr. Johnson failed to reference courses by notation upon the survey drawing to an identifiable and monumented line or an established geodetic system for directional control.

Act/Rule Violated: 22 Tex. Admin Code §§661.55(b) and 663.19(c). **Resolution:** Reprimand and an Administrative Penalty of \$1,000.

Dennis James Ellis, R.P.L.S. #4736, Victoria, TX; Case Number D-42040

Violation: Mr. Ellis failed to exercise reasonable care to prevent the association of the surveyor's name, professional identification, seal, firm or business name in connection with any venture or enterprise which the surveyor knows, or should have known, is engaging in trade, business or professional practices of a fraudulent, deceitful, or dishonest nature, or any action which violates any provision of the Surveying Act or board rules. Mr. Ellis aided or abetted, directly or indirectly, any unlicensed person or business entity in the unlawful practice of surveying.

Act/Rule Violated: 22 Tex. Admin Code §§138.63(b)(3) and 138.63(c)(1).

Resolution: One Year Probated Suspension contingent upon remittance of an Administrative Penalty of \$1,500 and successful completion TTU Surveying Ethics Basic Level Course.

Terrance Paul Mish, R.P.L.S. #4981, Spring, TX; Case Number D-42106

Violation: Mr. Mish failed to act as a faithful agent for their employers or clients.

Act/Rule Violated: 22 Tex. Admin. Code §138.63(b)(4).

Resolution: One Year Probated Suspension and remittance of an Administrative Penalty of \$1,000.

Matt Cullen Carr, P.E. #71153, Chico, TX; Case Number D-42787

Violation: Mr. Carr was convicted of a felony and sentenced to incarceration. Revocation of Mr. Carr's Texas professional engineer license occurred by operation of law on April 14, 2022, the date Mr. Carr was sentenced to incarceration.

Act/Rule Violated: 22 Tex. Admin. Code §139.43(a)(1), Texas Occupations Code, ch. 53. **Resolution:** Revocation of Texas professional engineer license by operation of law.